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PREFACE

This book is intended as an elementary text-book of Entomology. Up to the present time but little attention has been given to the study of the Natural History of Insects, even by those who cultivate the soil; and the chief aim of this book is to introduce the subject in plain language and concise form, acquainting the student with the four states or stages of insect life, the transformations of insects, and the division or classification of insects into Orders and Families.

The plan of fully illustrating the work is adopted in order to make object-teaching available to some extent; also, to aid the student in classifying the more common insects into Orders and families.

As a rule which has but few exceptions, insects that belong to the same family have similar habits; so that, by knowing to what Family any insect belongs, we may tell whether to regard it as an injurious or a beneficial insect, because agreeing in its habits with other insects belonging to the same Family.

The description given of their transformations applies equally to injurious, beneficial, and innoxious insects; but the illustrations mostly represent those which are either injurious or beneficial, so as to give the student a correct idea of the appearance of members of these two classes of insects which more directly interest the cultivators of the soil. Impressed

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with the importance of such knowledge to the future husbandmen, and anticipating that the study of Economic Entomology, will, *from necessity*, be taught in the near future in the Public Schools, this book has been written with special reference to its use as a text-book and as a preparatory course for the study of more advanced works

To enable our teachers to teach this branch of natural history, even without previous training for it, a Key to this book has been prepared and published in a separate volume.

The scientific, or technical, names of the various insects referred to in this work are not always given in the text, but will be found in the Index, attached to the common names of the insects

In the arrangement of the Orders I have followed that given by Dr. A. S. Packard, in his "Guide to the Study of Insects."

The Families of the Orders Lepidoptera, Orthoptera, and Neuroptera are given in full, as far as the insects are found in the United States; of the other Orders, only the most prominent Families are mentioned

Of the illustrations many are taken from my work, "Injurious Insects of the Orchard, Vineyard," etc.; to which others have been added, obtained chiefly from Professor C. V. Riley. Twelve were copied from Packard's "Guide to the Study of Insects;" several from the Smithsonian Institution publications, and also from Dr. Emmons' "New York Reports;" Nos. 89 and 103 were copied from the "Illinois Reports." The "Pacific Rural Press" kindly furnished the illustrations of scale-insects and their parasites.

While engaged in this work, I have freely consulted the books of Professors C. V. Riley, Cyrus Thomas, G. H. French

and J. H. Comstock; also those of Doctors W. Le Baron, A. S. Packard, J. L. Leconte and H. A. Hagen; and I take great pleasure in acknowledging my indebtedness for the information gleaned from their writings.

In the preparation of this book I have also been ably assisted by D. W. Coquillett, Esq., late Assistant State Entomologist, of Illinois, which has placed me under great obligations to him.

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NATURAL HISTORY OF INSECTS.

CHAPTER I.

INTRODUCTION.

Entomology is that part of Natural History which treats of insects. The term *insect* is derived from the Latin word *insectum*, which signifies *cut into*, or notched, and it was applied to these animals on account of their notched or indented appearance (Fig. 1, Hornet); they belong to the second division of the Animal Kingdom, called *Articulata.*

The vast Realm of Nature is divided into three Kingdoms, the Animal, the Vegetable, and the Mineral; to the first belong all animated beings, such as Beasts, Birds, Insects, etc.; to the second belongs the various kinds of Plants, Mosses, Fungi, etc.; while the different Minerals, Rocks, the Air, Water, etc., belong to the third.

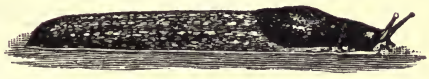
Fig 1.



Fig. 2.



Fig. 3



The Animal Kingdom is divided into four Sub-Kingdoms, which are as follows:

I. Backbone Animals *(Vertebrata)*, such as Beasts, Birds, Reptiles, and Fishes; these all have an internal skeleton, covered with flesh.

II. Jointed Animals *(Articulata)*, such as Insects, Spiders, Crabs, etc.; in these the skeleton is external, and is divided into several rings, or segments, by transverse depressed circles

These animals are readily distinguished by their jointed appearance, which is easily seen in the Caterpillar (Fig. 2) as it moves along.

III. Soft-bodied Animals *(Molusca)*, such as Snails, Clams, Slugs (Fig. 3), etc.; these do not have the body divided into joints, nor are they furnished with either an internal or external skeleton, although they are sometimes inclosed in a hard covering or shell.

Fig. 4

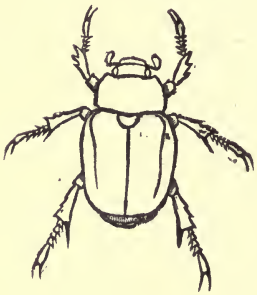
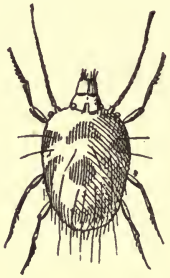


Fig. 5



IV. Rayed Animals *(Radiata)*, such as Star-Fishes, etc.; these have the parts of the body radiating from the center, resembling somewhat an asterisk (*); they are found only in the water.

Insects belonging to the second division of the Animal Kingdom, called *Articulata*. This division or Sub-Kingdom, comprises five Classes, which differ from each other chiefly in the number of legs which they possess in the adult or perfect state. These five Classes are as follows:

Fig. 6.



Fig. 7.



I. True insects *(Insecta)*, such as Beetles, Butterflies, etc.; which are furnished with *six* legs, as the Goldsmith Beetle (Fig. 4).

II. Spiders *(Arachnida)*, such as Spiders, Cheese-mites,

Flour-mites, Ticks, etc., which are provided with *eight* legs, as the Red Spider (Fig. 5).

III. Crustaceans (*Crustacea*), such as Crabs, Lobsters, Shrimps, etc., which have from *ten* to *fourteen* legs.

IV. Myriapods (*Myriapoda*), such as Centipedes, Millipedes, etc., have *more than fourteen* legs, as the Julus (Fig. 6).

V. Worms (*Annelida*), such as Earth-worms (Fig. 7), Leeches, etc., which are entirely *destitute* of legs.

The greater number of True Insects (*Insecta*), have the body divided into three distinct regions (Fig. 8, Daddy-Long-legs), which have received the same names as the corresponding parts in the higher animals; thus, the first region, or part, is called the *head* (A); the second part, the *thorax* or chest (B); and the hindermost division is termed the *abdomen* or hind body (C). It is among the true

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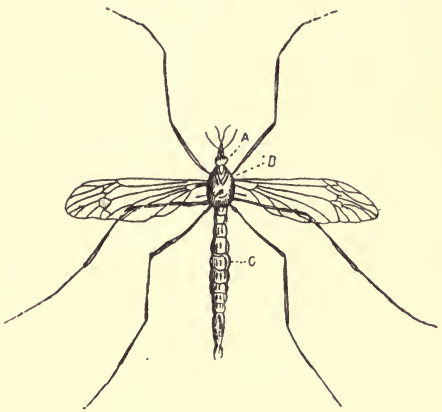


Fig. 9.



Fig. 10.



Fig. 11.



insects alone that *winged* individuals occur, although all insects are not provided with these organs.

The SPIDERS (*Arachnida*) usually have the body divided into two distinct regions (Fig. 9), the head and thorax being merged into one part; the thorax and abdomen are frequently connected by a slender stem or petiole. They do not past through any changes or metamorphoses before reaching the adult state. So far as at present known, all spiders are predaceous, feeding upon insects, etc.; and one South-American species, of very large size, is said to catch small birds by creeping up, and springing upon them, like a cat.

The Mites and Ticks differ from the Spiders in having the three parts of the body closely united, as the Yellow Mite (Fig. 10), there being no distinct line of separation between the thorax and the abdomen. The young Mites are generally provided with six legs (Fig. 11). Some kinds feed upon the leaves, etc., of various plants; others feed upon the eggs of insects or upon young plant-lice, such as the Phylloxera Mite (Fig. 12); and still others live parasitically upon different kinds of animals, such as the sheep Scab-Mite (Fig. 13).

Fig. 12

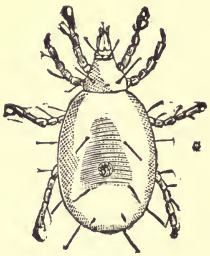


Fig. 13



The Scorpions belong to the same class as the Spiders, being provided with eight legs; their maxillary palpi (or feeler attached to the lower jaw), are frequently as long as their legs, and terminate in forceps-like claws. They are mostly predaceous in their habits.

The Centipedes, Millipedes, etc., (*Myriapoda*), are sometimes called "Thousand-legged Worms," from the great number of legs with which their bodies are provided (Fig. 6). They are readily divisible into two groups, according to the number of

legs attached to each segment of their bodies. Some kinds have only a single pair of legs attached to each segment, while others have two pairs. By this characteristic we are enabled to separate, at a glance, the injurious from the beneficial; for those which have only one pair of legs to each segment are predaceous, feeding upon snails and other soft bodied-animals, whereas those having two pairs of legs to each segment feed upon vegetable matter.

It is thus seen that true insects belong to the first Class, which is known by the name of INSECTA. Having learned the position which these animals respectively occupy in the Animal Kingdom, a short account will be given, in Chapters II., III., IV., and VI., of the four states or stages through which insects pass, namely: First, the egg; second, the larva or caterpillar; third, the pupa, chrysalis, or nymph; fourth, the perfect insect, or imago state.

Chapter V. treats of their transformations *(metamorphoses)*.

CHAPTER II.

THE EGG STATE.

The greater number of insects, such as Saw-flies (Fig. 14), Butterflies (Fig. 15), Moths (Fig. 16), Hessian-flies (Fig. 17),

Fig. 15.



Fig. 14.



Beetles (Fig. 18), True Bugs (Fig. 19), Tree-crickets (Fig. 20), and Lace-winged Flies (Fig. 21), reproduce their kind by de-

positing eggs, and are therefore termed "oviparous" (from the Latin *ovum*, an egg, and *parere*, to produce).

Fig. 16.



Fig. 17.

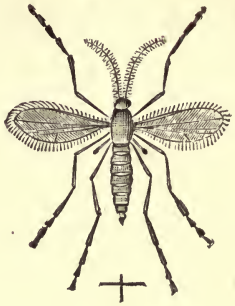


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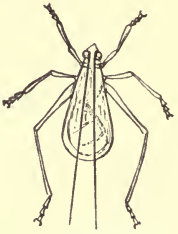
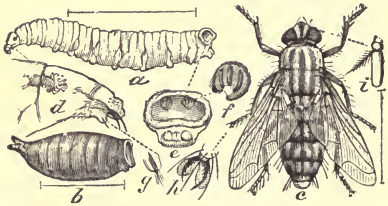
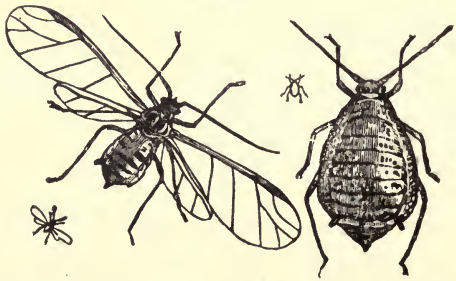


Fig. 22.



A few kinds of insects bring forth their young alive, such as the Flesh-fly (Fig. 22) and Plant-lice (Fig. 23), and are

Fig. 23.



therefore called "viviparous" (from the Latin *vivus* alive and *parere*, to produce).

Fig. 24.

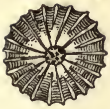


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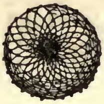


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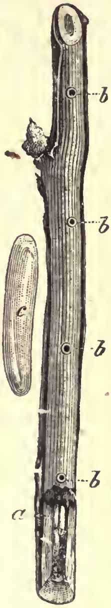
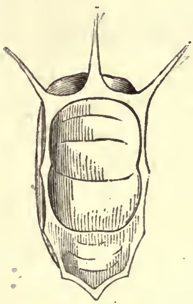


Fig. 28.



The eggs of insects are usually of a globular form, such as the eggs (Figs. 24 and 25) of some species of Butterflies; but some are flattened, such as those (Fig. 26) of the Katydids, while others are elongated, as those (Fig. 27) of the Tree-crickets; still others, as those (Fig. 28) of the Tortoise-beetles are furnished with spines.

The surface of some insects' eggs are perfectly smooth (Fig. 26); others are ribbed (Fig. 24), and still others are covered with a net-work of raised lines (Fig. 25).

Insects deposit their eggs in a great variety of situations, but always where the caterpillar or *larva*, as soon as hatched, may find an abundance of food within easy reach.

Fig. 29.



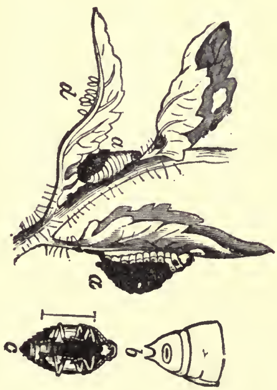


Fig. 30.

Most frequently the eggs are fastened by a viscid liquid to the foliage of trees, to plants, grasses, etc., as those (Fig. 29)

of the Imported Currant Saw-fly, and (Fig. 30, *d*) of the Three-lined Potato Beetle; while others are laid in rings around the branches or twigs of trees, such as those (Fig. 31) of DeLong's Moth and (Fig. 32) of the Orchard Tent-caterpillar; other

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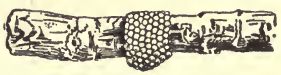
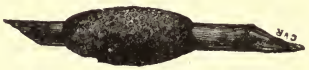


Fig. 32.



insects deposit their eggs in punctures in branches, as those (Fig. 29) of the Gray Tree-cricket, (Fig. 33) of the Snowy Tree-cricket, and (Fig. 34) of the Buffalo Tree-hopper; some kinds

Fig. 33.

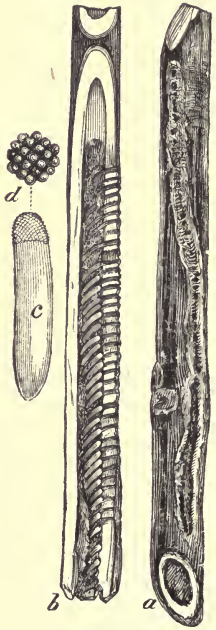


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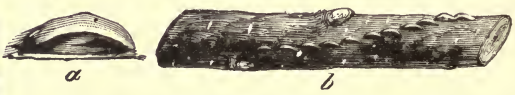


Fig. 36.



of True Bugs deposit their eggs (Fig. 35) on the branches of trees. The eggs (Fig. 21) of the Lace-winged Flies are placed at the tip of a short pedicel or stem, and attached to the leaves or branches.

Some kinds of Weevils de-

Fig. 37.



posit their eggs in fruits, such as seen, in Fig. 36, of the Plum Curculio, and, in Fig. 37, *a*, of the Grape Curculio. The Grasshoppers deposit their eggs (Fig. 38) in masses, in the earth. Many kinds of Ichneumon-flies deposit their eggs in the bodies of caterpillars and pupæ, by piercing them with their ovipositors; and sometimes in grubs or borers which live under the bark of trees.

A female insect of this Family is represented (Fig. 39) in the act of laying or depositing her eggs. The long tail or

ovipositor, composed of three hair-like pieces, is bent and carried under the body, and directed to the spot where, beneath the bark of a tree, a grub or larva is supposed to lie. The same female is shown (Fig. 40), when at rest.

The greater number of the Gall-flies and Saw-flies make an incision in the leaves or twigs of trees, etc., in which they deposit their eggs.

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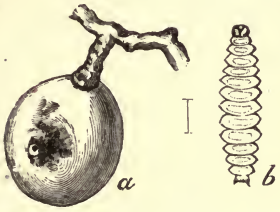


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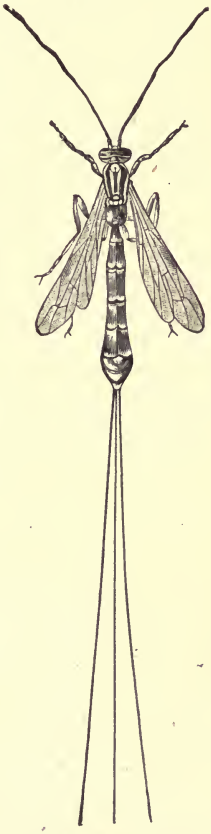
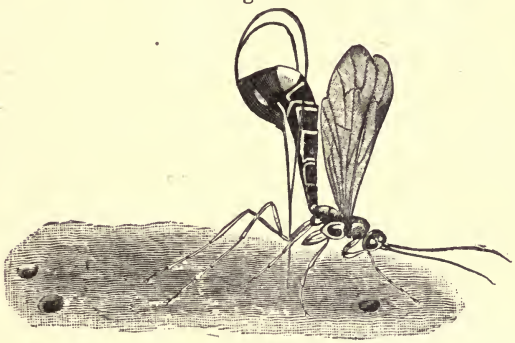


Fig. 39.



Various kinds of Beetles deposit their eggs in the ground; the Hessian-flies, on the stalks of wheat, the Joint-worm flies, in the stalks of wheat, barley, etc.; the Army-worm Moth, on the lower parts of grasses; the Butterflies, on the leaves of plants, etc., on which their larvæ are to feed; the Codlin-moth, on fruits; and the Borers on the bark of trees and plants.

The egg of an insect consists essentially of three parts, namely: the central *germ cell*, surrounded by the *yolk* within the outer *shell*.

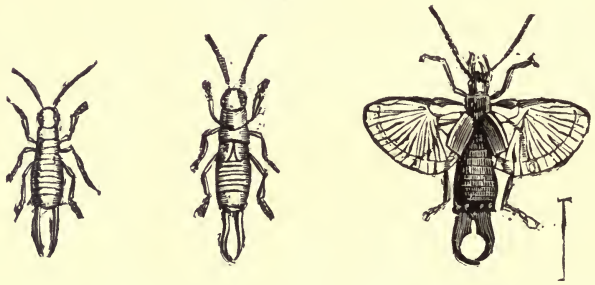
The idea entertained by some persons that many insects are produced spontaneously is erroneous; all insects are brought forth by a parent, either as eggs or as living young.

CHAPTER III.

THE LARVA STATE.

Some insects, such as Grasshoppers, Earwigs (Fig. 41; *a*, *larva*); Thrips (Fig. 42, *larva*), and Soldier-bugs (Fig. 43; *b*, *larva*), when they first issue from the egg, very closely resem-

Fig. 41.



ble the adult or parent insect, with the exception of being as yet destitute of wings.

By far the greater number of insects, when first hatched from the egg, are worm-like, having the body elongated, and

Fig. 42.



Fig. 43.



Fig. 44.



more or less cylindrical, and furnished with a distinct head (Fig. 48, A) armed with strong jaws; such as the Native Currant-

worm (Fig. 44), the Army-worm (Fig. 45), the Wire-worm (Fig. 46), and the larva of the Lace-winged Fly (Fig. 47).

Fig. 45.

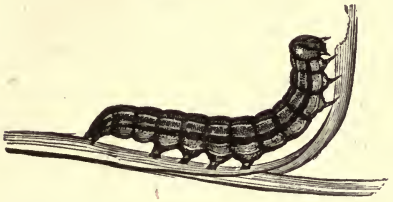


Fig. 46.



The bodies of those larvæ which are worm-like are divided by transverse, depressed circles, generally into twelve parts, called "rings" or "segments." The first three segments nearest the head (Fig. 48, B), represent the thorax of the perfect insect, and are therefore termed "thoracic" segments; the remaining nine segments (Fig. 48, C), represent the abdomen of the perfect insect, and are therefore designated the "abdominal" segments. On the top of the segment next to the head (or the first segment) is sometimes a horny plate (Fig. 48, G); this plate is named the "cervical shield;" a plate of similar texture on the last or anal segment (Fig. 48, F), when present, is termed the "anal plate." Sometimes there is a horn or spine on the top of the eleventh segment (Fig. 48, E); this is known as the "anal horn."

Fig. 47

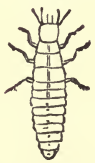
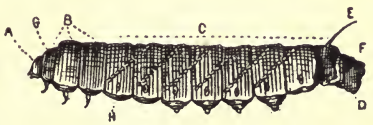


Fig. 48.



Most of the larvæ have nine spiracles. or breathing pores (Fig. 48, H), on each side of the body, one on each side of the first segment, and one on each side of the segments from four to eleven inclusive.

When there is a line of any color extending along the spiracles, it is termed the *stigmata line*. The back of a larva is termed the *dorsum*, and when there is a line in the middle, extending lengthwise with the body, it is termed the *dorsal line*.

A line midway between the dorsal and stigmata lines is termed the *sub-dorsal line*. The under part of the body is called the *venter*.

Some larvæ are perfectly smooth-skinned, as the caterpillar (Fig. 49) of the Turnus Butterfly; others are more or less covered with tubercles, such as the caterpillar (Fig. 50) of the Cecropia Moth; some are covered with warts,

Fig. 49.



Fig. 50.



Fig. 51.

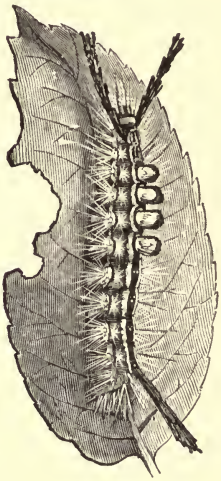
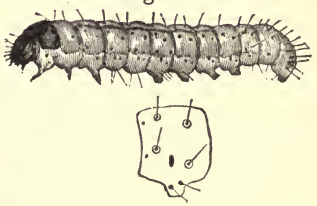


Fig. 59.



from which grow clusters of hair, as the caterpillar (Fig. 51) of the Tussock Moth; still others are covered with small

polished spots, termed *piliferous spots*, such as the Glassy Cut-worm (Fig. 52; see the enlarged segment), from each of which usually proceeds a fine hair.

Many kinds of larvæ are entirely destitute of legs; these are called grubs, maggots, etc.; for instance, the grub (Fig. 53) of the Plum Curculio; (Fig. 54) of the Flat-headed Apple-

Fig. 53



Fig. 54.



Fig. 55.



Fig. 56.



Tree Borer; the grub (Fig. 55) of the Round-headed Apple-Tree Borer; and the larva (Fig. 66) of the Hessian-fly.

Others are provided with six legs, as the grubs or larvæ (Fig. 57) of the Ground-beetles.

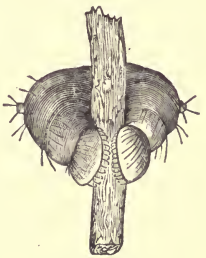
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Fig. 59.



Larvæ having from ten to sixteen legs are called *true caterpillars*, such as the Span-worms (Fig. 58), which have ten legs; the Glassy Cut-worm (Fig. 52), which is provided with sixteen legs. Caterpillars have a pair of horny legs beneath each of the first three segments; these are the *true legs*; the additional legs are fleshy, and are usually encircled at the tips with a circle of minute hooks (Fig. 59); these fleshy legs are commonly called *prolegs*, *prop-legs*, or *false legs*.

The greater number of larvæ which have more than the six thoracic legs are furnished with ten prolegs (Fig. 52); these are arranged in pairs beneath the sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth,

and twelfth segments; those under the twelfth segment are sometimes called the *anal prolegs*. Larvæ having more than sixteen legs are called *false Caterpillars*, such as the larvae (Fig. 60) of the Imported Currant Saw-fly, which is provided with twenty legs. The prolegs of these false caterpillars are not furnished with hooks at the tips.

Fig. 160.



The false caterpillars (Fig. 60), and also the true caterpillars, which are provided with sixteen legs (Fig. 52), in crawling about, move with a gently undulating motion, while those which are provided with from ten to fourteen legs, arch the body more or less upward. This is most noticeable in the ten-legged caterpillars (Fig. 58), which are commonly called "Span-worms," "Measuring-worms," or "Geometers." In crawling about they arch the body upwards (Fig. 61), by bringing their hind legs close to the front legs, then fastening themselves by the intermediate and hind legs, they stretch out

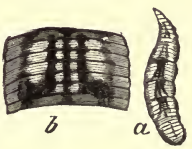
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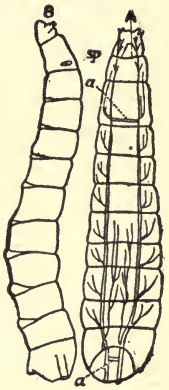


the body to its full length (Figs. 62 and 213); the same movements are repeated in making the following steps.

The caterpillars that are provided with twelve or fourteen legs, in moving arch the body upward in the same manner as those having ten legs, but to a less extent.

Some larvæ have the head soft and of no definite shape, such as the larva (Fig. 63) of the Syrphus-fly; it is provided with a pair of hook-like jaws, which are usually curved downward. These organs seem to be unfit for masticating food, and are chiefly used to retain the larva in its place, or in holding its prey, and also to assist in moving around.

Fig. 64



The soft, shapeless head occurs only in the larvæ of some kinds of Two-winged Flies, such as those of the House-fly (Fig. 64; A represents the young larva, while at B the larva is shown at a more advanced age).

These larvæ are always destitute of legs, and are commonly called "maggots."

It is generally in the larva state only that the insect increases in size; the Butterfly or Bee, or any other winged insect, does not increase in size after its wings and other parts have acquired their proper shape and degree of firmness.

No larva, caterpillar, grub or maggot, is capable of producing eggs or bringing forth young;* these offices are perfomed by the adult insect alone.

*Some writers claim that there are exceptions to this rule; but these exceptions are of very rare occurrence.

CHAPTER IV.

THE PUPA STATE.

Those insects which, when they first issue from the egg, closely resemble the parent insect, such as the larva, (Fig. 65, *c*) of the Chinch-bug and (Fig. 66, *a*) of the Harlequin Cabbage-bug, do not differ very materially in form in the pupa state (Fig. 65, *g*, and 66, *b*), except that they are provided with wing-pads, that is, cushion-like swellings, in which the undeveloped wings are enclosed; they move about and take food in the same way as in the larva state.

Fig. 65.

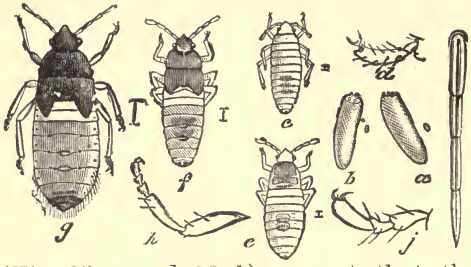


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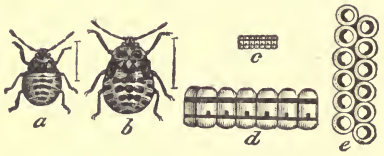


Fig. 67.



The pupæ of those insects, however, which were worm-like when they issue from the egg, are incapable of moving about and taking food, their legs and other appendages being folded up and encased in a sheath; such as the pupa (Fig. 67) of the Canker-worm.

Fig. 68

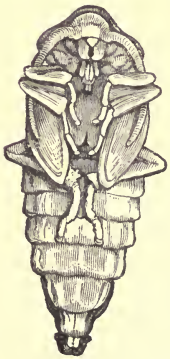


Fig. 69.



Fig. 70.



In some pupæ—such as those of the Beetles, Bees, Wasps, and many Two-winged Flies—the antennæ, wings, and legs are

enclosed in separate sheaths and folded on the breast, as in the pupa (Fig. 68) of the Prionus Beetle, that (Fig. 69) of the Flat-headed Apple-tree Borer, and that (Fig. 70) of the Plum Curculio.

Fig. 71



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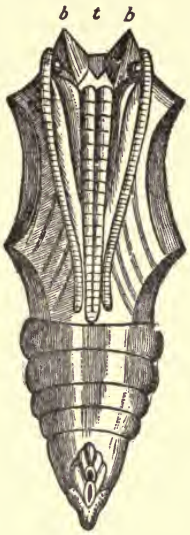


Fig. 73.



The pupæ of Butterflies and Moths have the antennæ, wings, and legs closely folded against the breast, and the whole is enclosed in a common covering or sheath, as seen in the pupa (Fig. 71) of the Tomato-worm and (Fig. 72) of various Butterflies.

Fig. 74.



Fig. 75.



Fig. 76.



Pupæ vary in form; some have a smooth surface and are conical in form (Fig. 73); others are sometimes angulated, as

the pupæ of many Butterflies, such as those represented in Figs. 74 and 75. The pupæ of many kinds of Two-winged Flies are enclosed in the old larva-skin, which becomes contracted and hardened (Fig. 76). Pupæ of this kind are said to be *coarctate* or compact, while the others mentioned above are said to be *obtected* or covered.

No insect can produce eggs or bring forth living young while in the pupa state; it is only in the perfect or adult state that insects can reproduce their kind. (See Note, p. 23.)

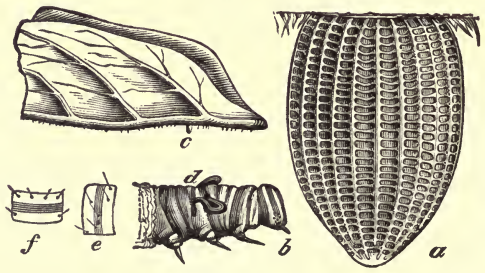
CHAPTER V.

THE TRANSFORMATIONS OF INSECTS.

Insects, with but few exceptions, pass through the four stages corresponding to the *egg*, the *larva*, the *pupa*, and the *imago* state.

These different stages are easily observed in the development of the Archippus Butterfly. From the egg (Fig. 77, *c*, natural size; *a* magnified), is hatched a small worm-like creature, the larva (Latin *larva*, a mask); so named, because "masking," as it were, the perfect insect. This at once begins to feed upon the

Fig. 77.

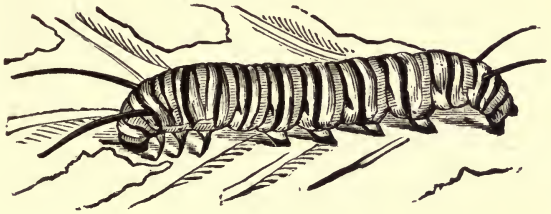


leaves of the plant upon which the egg had been deposited by the parent butterfly; after increasing somewhat in size it casts off its old skin, and appears in a new and more commodious one. This process is termed "moulting."

When this time for moulting arrives, the caterpillar first

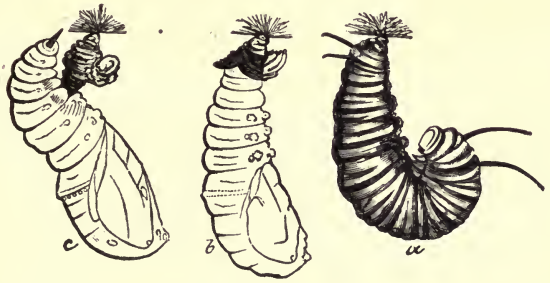
spins a layer of silk upon some object, and then crawls upon it and fastens the hooks at the tips of its legs into the silk; it now remains quiet for a short time, when the skin on its back soon splits open, and the included caterpillar then crawls out. This operation is repeated at intervals three or four times, until the caterpillar reaches its full size (Fig. 78). It next

Fig. 78.



spins a bunch of silk to the under side of some object, and in this it entangles the hooks at the tips of its hind legs; then letting go its hold it hangs suspended, with the head and fore part of the body drawn slightly upward, giving to the body somewhat the form of the letter J (Fig. 79, *a*). In a short

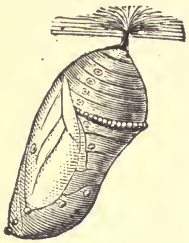
Fig. 79



time the skin on its back splits open, and the included object, by elongating its body, pushes the fore part of the latter through the rent in the skin; the body is then contracted, or shortened, thus drawing the old skin backward; and this operation is repeated until the skin is worked back to, and covering only, the last two or three segments (Fig. 79, *b*). The pupa is attached, near the hind end of its body, to the old

skin by a strong ligament. It soon withdraws the hind part of its body out of the old skin, and remains suspended by this ligament (Fig. 79, *c*); it then elongates its body and fastens the hooks at the hind end of the latter into the bunch of silk above the point where the old skin is attached, and by whirling around it breaks the ligament and dislodges the old skin; after which it remains perfectly quiet and gradually becomes contracted to its proper size and form (Fig. 80).

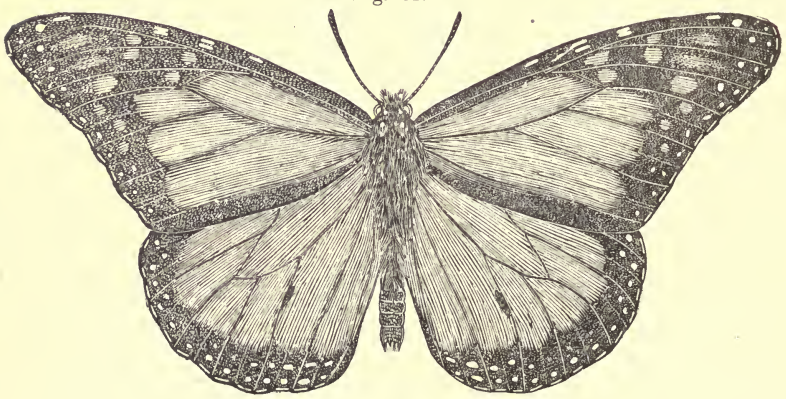
Fig. 80.



In the course of a week or so its colors darken, and the spots on the wings of the inclosed butterfly can be quite plainly seen through the thin and nearly transparent pupa-skin; soon the latter is burst near the anterior or lower end, and the enfolded butterfly comes forth. At first its wings are short and limp, but they gradually expand and harden, and soon attain their proper form and size (Fig. 81).

All insects which are worm-like when issuing from the egg, pass through the same stages as the Butterfly, although not always in the same manner. Some spin a shroud of cocoon

Fig. 81.



(Fig 82) around their bodies before entering the pupa state; others enter the earth and prepare smooth cells (Fig. 83.); while still others assume this state while in the plants or others

substances in which they dwell (Fig. 84, *b*). Some suspend themselves by the hind feet alone (Fig. 79); others pass a loop of silken threads around the fore part of the body (Fig. 87, *b*). A few of the former merely work the old skin back upon the hind part of the body, where they allow it to remain;

Fig. 82.



Fig. 83.

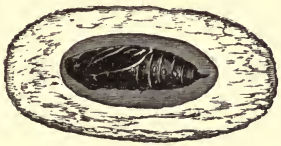


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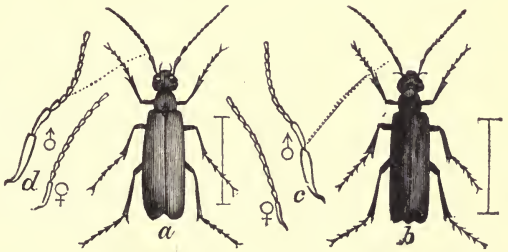


while in a very few the old skin is merely rent on the back, and almost incloses the pupa. In the larvæ of a great many kinds of Two-winged Flies the larval skin merely contracts and hardens (Fig. 76), completely inclosing the pupa.

Fig. 85.



Fig. 86.



Those insects which pass through the various stages detailed above are said to have a *complete* transformation (metamorphosis).

But there are many insects (such as Grasshoppers, Plant-bugs, etc.), which, when hatched from the egg, very closely

resemble the adult or parent insect, with this exception, that they are always destitute of wings (Fig. 65, *c*). After increasing somewhat in size they cast their skins and appear in the same form as before, except that a pair of small wing-pads is usually to be seen there where the wings are to be in the perfect insect. At each succeeding moult, or casting of the skin, the form still remains as before, except that the wing-pads are growing larger (Fig. 65, *g*) till the insect moults for the last time, when it appears with fully developed wings (as the Chinch-bug, Fig. 85). All this time it has been able to move about and to take food.

When about its final moulting the larval insect firmly fastens the hooks at the ends of its feet into some object; in a short time the skin on its back splits open and the included insect makes its escape.

Insects which pass through their different stages in this manner are said to have an *incomplete* transformation (metamorphosis).

Some insects which are worm-like when they issue from the egg are active to a certain degree while in the pupa state; thus the pupa of the Lace-winged Fly, a short time before its final change, issues from its cocoon and fastens itself by the feet to some neighboring object; in a short time the skin on its back is rent, and the perfect insect makes its escape.

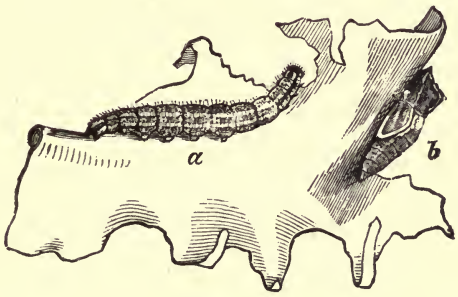
Some insects after issuing from the pupa are still enveloped in a thin film-like skin; this stage is usually called the *subimago*, and occurs among May-flies, and allied insects. They usually fly to the nearest plant, or other object, and soon cast off the film-like skin.

A few insects, like the Blister-beetles (Fig. 86), appear to pass through more than four stages. On the approach of winter their larva casts its skin and appears in a different form, commonly called the *semi-pupa;* it resembles the true pupa in being unable to move about and to take food, but differs from it in not having wing-cases, leg-cases, etc. In the following spring it casts off its old skin, and appears once

more as a larva; the latter passes through the same changes as any other larva before reaching the perfect state.

The changes which insect life passes through before reaching maturity have excited alike the interest and astonishment of mankind since the earliest ages. "To see the same animal appearing first as a worm-like creature (Fig. 87, *a*),

Fig. 87.



slowly crawling along and devouring everything in its way, and then, after an intermediate period of death-like repose (Fig. 87, *b*), emerging from its quiescent state, furnished with wings adorned with brilliant colors (Fig. 88), and confined in its choice of food to the most delicate fluids of the vegetable kingdom, is a spectacle that, indeed, must ever be regarded with the greatest interest; especially when we remember that these dissimilar creatures are all composed of the same elements, and that the organs of the adult were in a manner shadowed out in all its previous stages."

Fig. 88.



Let those who look with slight upon the pursuit of Entomology learn that there are but few, if any, studies better adapted to improve the mind and to mould the character of the young. Inculcating as it does, the habit of observation,

of acute perception, and patient perseverance, it has, moreover, no small tendency to lift up their thoughts to the great CREATIVE BEING—to Him who has designed the minutest part even of the minutest object with reference to some particular use intimately connected with the economy of the whole.

CHAPTER VI.

THE IMAGO STATE.

By far the greater number of insects, in the imago or perfect state, are provided with wings. Some, however, are destitute of these organs, and, as insects, often very closely resemble their larvæ, or pupæ. This is especially true of some insects which are active during the pupa state, such as the Plant-lice, and some kinds of wingless Grasshoppers. The pupæ of the later usually differ from the adults by having the wings twisted, so that the thin upper edge is nearest the under side of the body.

The body of the perfect insect (Fig. 86) is composed of three parts, the *head*, the *thorax*, and the *abdomen*.

THE HEAD AND ITS APENDAGES.

The head is usually of a flattened, globular form. On each side of it is a large compound eye (Fig. 90), consisting of a great many simple eyes placed close together. Besides the compound eyes, many insects have two or three simple eyes *(ocelli)*, which are usually situated on the top of the head.*

The antennæ† or horns are two in number, and are generally placed below the eyes, but sometimes above them. The functions which these organs perform are not distinctly understood, but they are supposed to be connected with the sense of hearing; this suposition is strengthened by the fact that, in some Lobsters and Crabs, a distinct organ of hearing has been found located at the base of the antennæ.

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* See Fig. 89. † See Fig. 103.

The antennæ of insects are composed of a certain number of joints, which are counted from the head outward; thus, the joint next the head is the first or basal joint, the last joint being the one at the tip or apex.

Fig. 89.

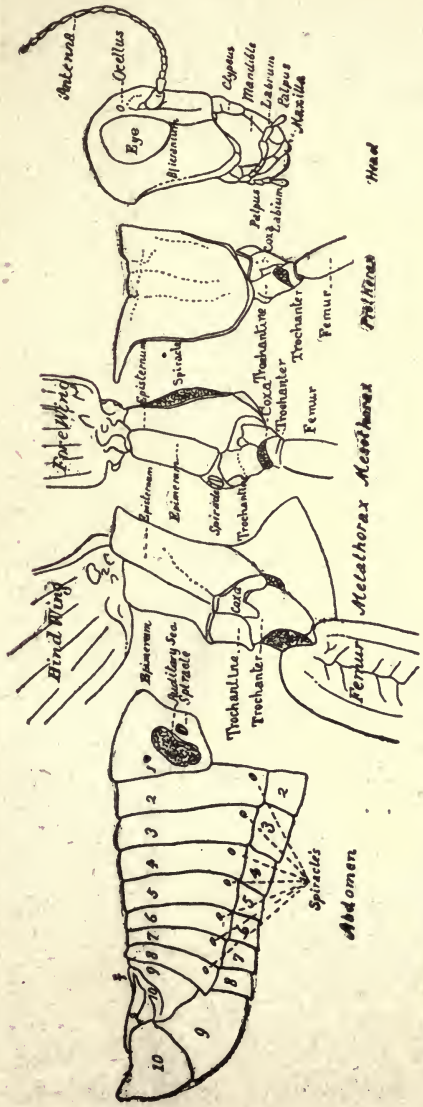


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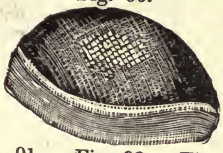


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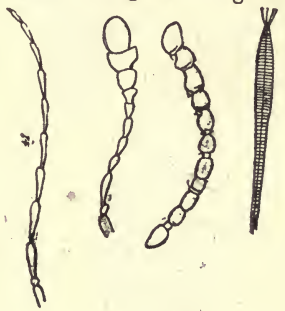


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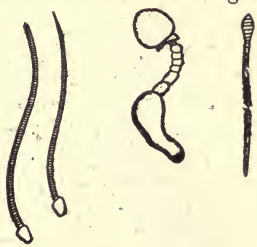
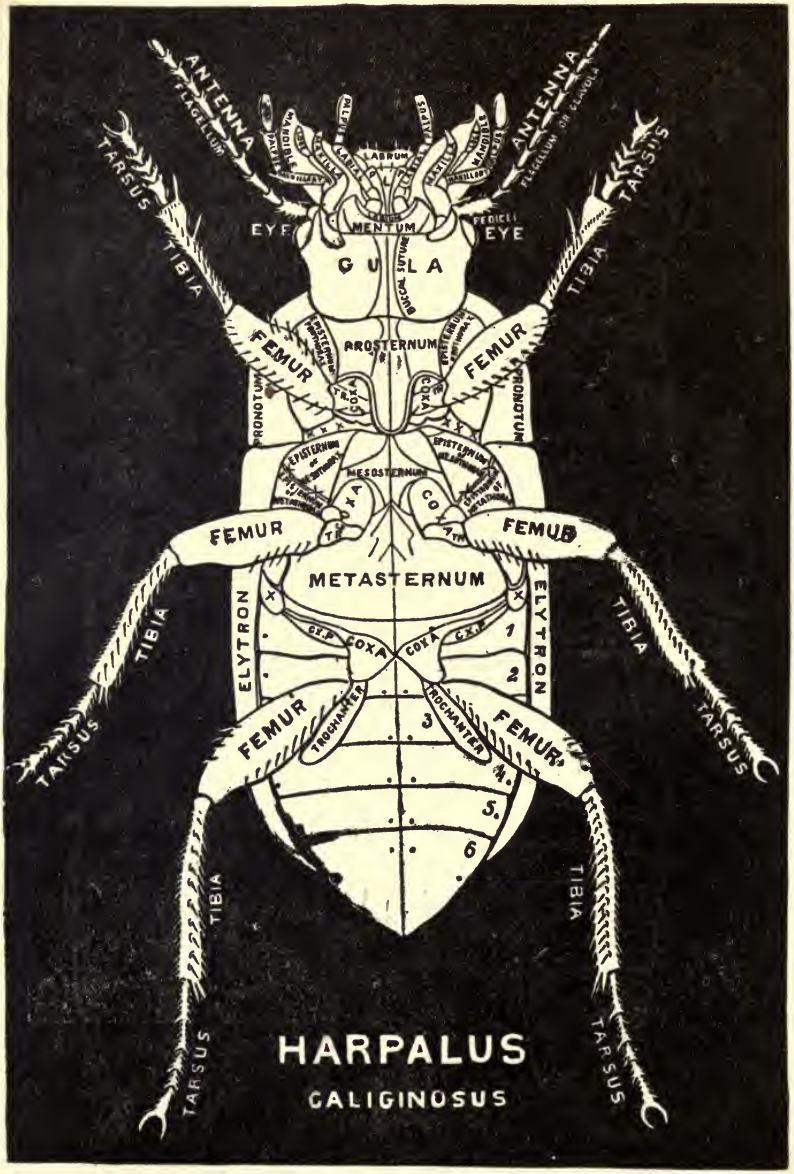


Fig. 97. Fig. 98. Fig. 99.



Some of the various forms of the antennæ are illustrated in the accompanying figures: the following are the principal kinds:

Fig. 103.



Filiform or thread-like; of nearly equal width throughout its entire length(Figs. 91 and 94, *a*).

Clavate or club-shaped; gradually enlarged toward the tip (Figs. 92 and 98).

Fusiform or spindle-shaped; largest in the middle, or tapering like the root of a carrot (Fig. 93).

Seteceous, Setiform, or bristle-like; slender and tapering toward the tip (Fig. 94, *b*),

Moniliform or bead-like; when the joints are more or less globular, the antenna resembling a string of beads.

Capitate or knobbed; terminating in a head or knob at the tip (Figs, 95 and 96).

Serrate or saw-toothed; when each joint is prolonged in the form of a small tooth, on the inner side, at the apex or tip of each joint (Figs. 97 and 99).

Lamellate; when the terminal joints are prolonged inward in the form of flattened plates (Figs. 100 and 101).

Fig. 102.



Fig. 100.



Fig. 101.



Fig. 104.



Fig 105.



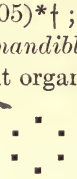
Pectinate or comb-tooth; when the inner angle of each joint is considerably prolonged at the apex (Fig. 102).

Bipectinate—Pectinate on both sides (Fig 115, *a*; sometimes called *pectinate*).

[For other forms of antennæ, see Glossary.]

The mouth of such insects as masticate their food consists essentially of four parts or sets of organs, namely: the upper

lip (*labrum*, Figs. 104 and 105)*† ; the lower lip (*labium*, Fig. 106)*† ; the upper jaws (*mandibles*)*† ; and the lower jaws (*maxillæ*)*†. These different organs are arranged as follows ;



The upper and lower dots represent the upper and lower lip, respectively ; the two dots below the upper one represent the upper jaws, while the two dots below these represent the lower jaws. The upper lip is attached to the lower edge of the face, and aids the insect in retaining the food in the mouth during the process of mastication.

Fig. 106.

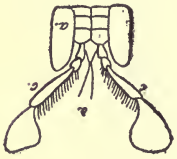


Fig. 107.



Fig. 108.



Fig. 109.



Fig. 110.



Next to the upper lip are the upper jaws, which consist of two hard and more or less curved pieces (Figs. 107, 108, 109 and 110)*†; which open and shut sidewise, instead of up and down, as the jaws of animals do ; these are the true biting and masticating organs.

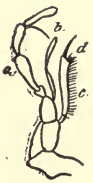
Fig. 111.



Fig. 112.



Fig. 123



Next to these are the lower jaws, which are much softer than the upper ones; like them they open and shut sidewise,

* See Fig. 89 † See Fig. 103

and their chief office seems to be to assist in retaining and masticating the food. Near the base of each lower jaw, on the outer side, is a jointed appendage, called the *maxillary palpus* (Figs. 111, 112 and 113)*†. Below the lower jaw is placed the lower lip; this is used in retaining the food in the mouth; near the base are two jointed appendages, called the *labial palpi* (Fig. 106)*†. When the lower lip is very narrow, the terminal portion is frequently called the tongue *(lingula)*. It is attached to the upper and inner edge of the chin *(mentum)*†.

There is sometimes a second pair of appendages, attached to the lower lip, nearer its tip than the labial palpi; these are termed the *paraglossa*.

In those insects which obtain their nourishment by suction, such as Bugs, Butterflies, Moths, and the Two-winged Flies, some or all of the mouth parts are drawn out or elongated, and several of them are sometimes united to form a single organ, or beak; in many insects—such as True Bugs (Fig. 114, *b*), Horse-flies, etc.—the beak (Fig. 114, *a*) is hard, and fitted for piercing, while in others —such as the House-fly—it is quite soft, and fitted for lapping. In the Butterflies and the Moths it is usually quite long, frequently as long or longer than the entire body of the insect, and when not in use is

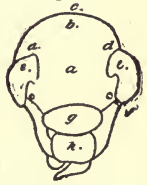
Fig. 114.



Fig. 115.



Fig. 116



coiled up like the hair-spring of a watch (Fig. 115, *g*), and concealed beneath the head.

* See Fig. 89. † See Fig. 103.

The posterior part of the head (that is, the part which is next to the thorax) is called the *occiput*. The top of the head (Fig. 116, *c*), is called the *vertex* or *crown*. Just above the upper lip (Fig. 116, *h*)* is usually a more or less square piece (Fig. 116, *g*), separated from the neighboring parts by a suture or groove; this piece is termed the *clypeus**, but in the Two-winged Flies it is called the *hyperstoma*. That part of the face which is between the clypeus and a line drawn from one antenna to the other, is called the *front*, while the part of the face which is between this and the vertex, is called the *forehead*. The cheeks are that portion of the side of the head which is between the eyes and the mouth (Fig. 116, *f*).

THE THORAX AND ITS APPENDAGES.

Next to the head is the thorax, which is composed of three segments (Fig. 89). The first segment is called the *prothorax*; to this part is attached the first or anterior pair of legs*; the second segment of the thorax is called the *mesothorax**, and to it are attached the middle pair of legs and the first or upper pair of wings, when they are present; the third or last segment of the thorax is termed the *metathorax**; the last pair of legs is attached to it, and also the second or posterior pair of wings, when these members are present.

The upper part of the thorax is sometimes called the *notum*, while the under part has received the name of *sternum*. Each of these is divided into three parts, the same as the thorax; thus there is a *pronotum* and a *prosternum*†, a *metanotum* and a *metasternum*†, etc. The different parts of the legs are well shown in the accompanying cut (Fig. 117), where *e* represents the thigh *(femur); f*, the shank *(tibia);* and *h*, the foot, *(tarsus);* the latter is five-jointed, and the last joint is terminated by two claws *(i)*. The part to which the thigh is attached at its upper end is called the *coxa**†, and between them is sometimes a small piece called the *trochanter.**†

Fig. 117.



* See Fig. 89. † See Fig. 103.

The greater number of insects, in the perfect state, are provided with two pairs of wings.

In the Beetles the wings of the first pair are of a hard, bony texture, and meet in a straight line or suture on the back (Fig. 118); they are sometimes smooth, but are frequently covered with small humps (hence termed *rugose*), or with longitudinal ridges or *striæ* (Fig. 119); they are nearly always covered

Fig. 118.



Fig. 119.



Fig. 120.



with small impressed dots or *punctures* (Fig. 120), as if pricked with the point of a pin; sometimes the outer edge of each wing is turned upward, which portion is then called the *epipleura*. These, the first pair of wings, are termed "wing-cases" (*elytra*), and are never used in flying.

Fig. 121.

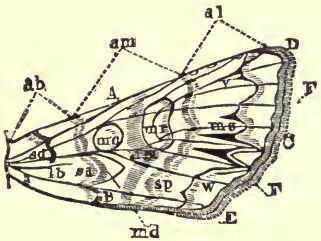
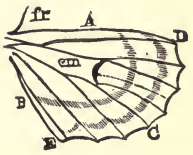


Fig. 122.



In Grasshoppers, Crickets and in some kinds of Bugs the anterior wings are of more or less firm and leathery texture; in the Grasshoppers and kindred insects the front wings are sometimes called the *tegmina*, while in the true Bugs these organs have received the name of *hemelytra*.

The Butterflies and the greater number of Moths have the

wings (Figs. 121 and 122),* and also the body and its members, thickly covered with flattened scales of various patterns; it is these scales which give the diversified colors to the insects. When these scales are rubbed off, the wings are found to be of a more or less membraneous texture (Fig. 123).†

Fig. 123.

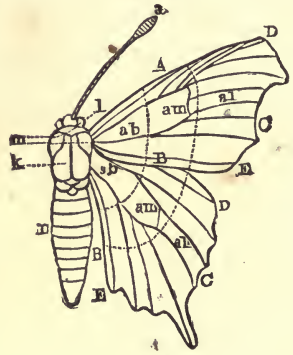
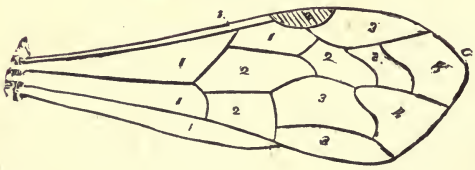


Fig. 124.



In the Bees, Wasps (Fig. 1), Two-winged Flies (Fig. 124), Dragon-flies, Plant-lice and similar insects, all the wings are thin and membraneous; as are also the posterior wings in those insects which have the anterior pair thickened (Fig. 114, *b*). The wings of the former kind are usually furnished with several veins (Fig. 125)‡, which are more or less closely connected with each other with cross-veins or nervures. These veins and cross-veins form several enclosed spots, which may be likened to the panes

Fig. 125.



* EXPLANATION OF FIG. 121.—*ab*, inner third of wing; *am*, middle third; *al*, outer third; *A*, costal edge; *B*, inner or posterior edge, *C*, outer edge; *D*, apex; *sd*, basal line; *sa*, transverse anterior line; *mo*, orbicular; *mr*, reniform; *um*, transverse shade; *sp*, transverse posterior line; *ms*, marginal line; *1b*, dentiform spot.

* EXPLANATION OF FIG. 122.—(Capitals, same as in Fig. 121): *fr*, frenulum, *em*, lunule.

† EXPLANATION OF FIG 123.—(Capitals same as in Fig. 121); *a*, antenna; *1*, prothorax; *m*, patagia; *k*, mesoscutum; *ab*, discal cell; *am*, discal cross-vein: above *al*, independent vein; *n*, abdomen.

‡ EXPLANATION OF FIG. 125.—*c*, costal vein; *sc*, sub-costal vein, *m*, median vein; *sm*, sub-median vein, *i*, internal vein; *1*, costal cell; *2*, (dark) stigma; *3*, marginal or radical cell, *1, 2, 3, 4*, (back of stigma and marginal cell) sub-marginal or cubital cells, 2, 3, 4, (back of sub-marginal cells) discoidal cells; 2, 3, inner and outer apical cells; 1, 1, 1, (nearest the base) median, sub-median and internal cells; c, the apex.

of glass in a window; these are called *cells*. When one of these cells is entirely surrounded by veins and cross-veins, it is said to be *closed* (Fig. 125, $_{2}$, $_{2}$, $_{2}$); but if the outer or the posterior margin of the wing forms one of its sides, it is then said to be *open* (Fig. 125, $_{4}$, $_{4}$).

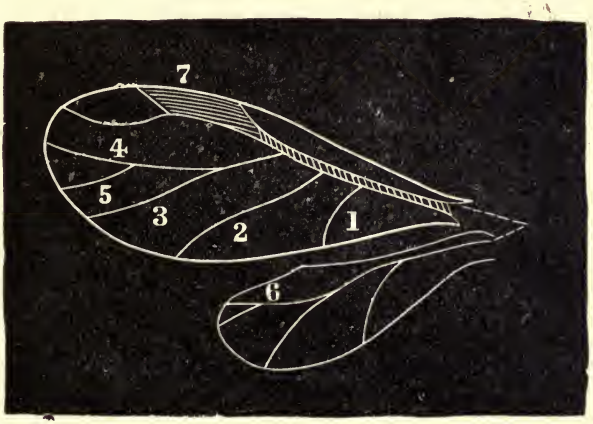
Naturalists determine the different genera and species of Plant-lice chiefly by the difference in the veining of the wings, these being the most reliable characteristics which these insects possess.

Fig. 126* represents the venation of the wings of the Rose Aphis and Grain Aphis; Figure 127, that of the Apple-tree Aphis, and Figure 128, that of the Woolly Aphis.

THE ABDOMEN AND ITS APPENDAGES.

The posterior division of the body of an insect is termed the abdomen, and contains the organs of nutrition and of

Fig. 126.



reproduction. The abdomen is sometimes united to the thorax by its entire width, but in some insects—such as Wasps, etc.—these two parts are connected by a slender stem or petiole.

* EXPLANATION OF FIG. 126.—1, basal cell; 2, first discoidal cell; 3, second discoidal cell; 4, infra-marginal cell; 5, first cubital cell; between 4 and 5, second cubital cell; 7, stigma; toward base of wing from stigma, costal cell; between 4 and 7, marginal cell. (The latter and No 4 are sometimes called "apical cells.")

Along each side of the abdomen are ranged the spiracles (Fig. 89), through which the insect breathes.

Fig. 127.

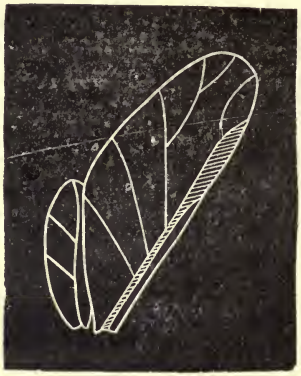


Fig. 128.



The tip of the abdomen is sometimes furnished with a sting —as in the Bees and Wasps—with which the insect defends

Fig. 129.

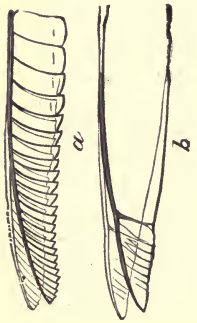


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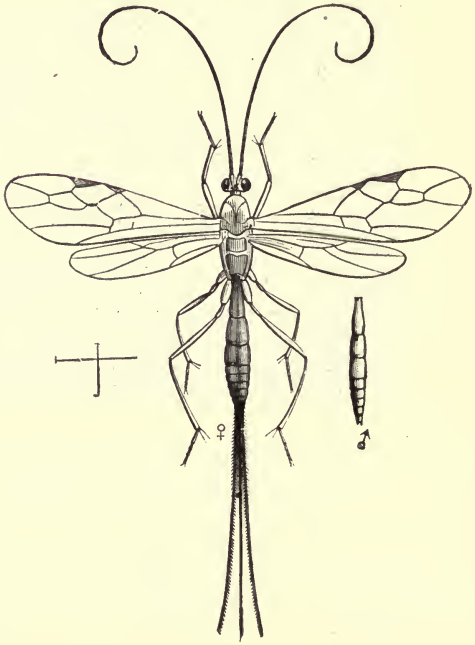


Fig. 130.



itself. In other insects—such as the Saw-flies (Fig. 130)—it is provided with a piercer or ovipositor (Fig. 129), which is used for the purpose of making punctures in the leaves or twigs of plants, in which to deposit the eggs. The famales of several species of Ichneumon-flies are furnished with an ovipositor, that is frequently as long as the entire body of the insect (Figs. 39, 40, and 131), and composed of several thread-like pieces.

The *males* of all insects, having reached the imago state, provide for the continuance of their species, and, being no longer needed in the economy of insect life, soon after die.

CHAPTER VII.

THE INTERNAL ORGANS OF INSECTS.

The nervous system of insects consists essentially of two cords, extending the entire length of the body, and placed nearest to the lower side; these cords are situated one above the other, and the lower cord is enlarged at intervals into knots, called *ganglia;* from each of these knots a number of cords or filaments extend to the various organs. The fibers which compose these cords, separate at the anterior extremity of the body, so as to pass around the gullet *(æsophagus),* above which they again unite to form the brain, which is somewhat larger thany of the other ganglia.

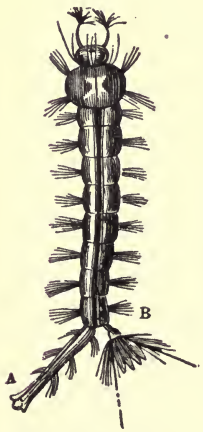
The organs of nutrition consist of an alimentary canal extending the entire length of the insect; it is enlarged in several places, and somewhat resembles the same organ in birds. The gullet *(æsophagus)* is terminated by a cavity resembling the crop in birds; next to this is a smaller muscular organ, analogous to the gizzard; this is followed by a larger and longer cavity, which is the true digestive stomach; this is contracted at the posterior end into the intestinal canal, which is enlarged at the posterior end into what is known as the *colon.* The liver and the kidneys are not each in compact

body, as in the higher animals, but consists of masses of twisted, ribbon-like tubes.

The blood of insects is a colorless fluid, which does not circulate in closed vessels or veins, but permeates all parts of the body. The heart is represented by an elongated, pulsating vessel, situated in the upper part of the body, along the back; it is furnished with small valves, which allow the blood to pass only in one direction, which is toward the head. The blood enters the heart through openings at the sides, and is forced upward and expelled out of an opening in the anterior end; from this it passes backward, through all parts of the body, and again enters the heart, as before. In many naked caterpillars the pulsation of the heart is readily seen beneath the skin on the back.

Insects do not breathe through the mouth or nostrils, as the higher animals do, but through small openings, called *spiracles*, placed on each side of the body (Fig. 89); these open into minute, pearly tubes *(tracheæ)*, which carry the air to all parts of the body, where it comes in contact with the blood. In the perfect or winged insect these tubes are dilated so as to form a great many air-sacs, facilitating the act of flying.

Fig. 132.



In many aquatic larvæ—such as those (Fig. 132) of the Mosquito—these tubes project from the body in the form of small tufts, analogus to the gills of fishes. Those insects which, in the perfect state, spend much of their time in the water, are not furnished with these gills, and hence are compelled to rise occasionally to the surface to get air

Insects, unlike the higher animals, have the skeleton external, or upon the outside, and the muscles are attached to the inner surface of the various parts. The muscles are composed of numerous fibers, but which are not united in the rounded, compact form such as they have in the higher animals.

No insect is possessed of a voice or breath sound, and those which appear to sing—such as the Katydids and Crickets—produce their notes by the rubbing together of certain parts of the body. The Cicada, or Harvest-fly, is furnished with a thin, transparent instrument, which is alternately indented and relaxed, producing a sound somewhat similar to that made by indenting a tin pan.

Some insects produce a shrilling noise by elevating the wing-cases, and rubbing their edges together; others rasp the inside of their hind legs against the outer edges of their wing-cases; some, while on the wing, make a somewhat similar noise by rubbing the front edge of the hind wings against the under side of the wing-cases. Some kinds of Beetles sometimes make a squeaking noise by rubbing the base of the thorax against the adjacent part of the wing-cases.

CHAPTER VIII.

CLASSIFICATION OF INSECTS INTO ORDERS.

Naturalists separate insects into two Sections, characterized by the difference in the mouth-parts; and into seven Orders, according to the number and the structure of the wings.

These Sections are as follows:

SECTION 1. GNAWING INSECTS *(Mandibulata)*.—These insects are furnished with a pair of jaws.

This Section includes the Orders as follows:

1.—HYMENOPTERA (from two Greek words meaning *menbrane-winged*). Such as Bees, Wasps, Saw-flies. etc.

2.—COLEOPTERA (from two Greek words, signifying *sheath-winged*). Such as Beetles and Weevils.

3.—ORTHOPTERA (from two Greek words, meaning *straight-winged*). Such as Grasshoppers, Crickets, etc.

4.—NEUROPTERA (from two Greek words, meaning *nerve-winged*). Such as Dragon-flies, Lace-winged Flies, etc.

SECTION II. SUCKING INSECTS *(Haustellata)*.—These insects have the mouth-parts formed into a beak or proboscis.

This Section includes the Orders as follows:

5.—LEPIDOPTERA (from two Greek words meaning *scaly-winged*). Such as Butterflies and Moths.

6.—HEMIPTERA (from two Greek words, meaning *half-winged*). Such as Plant-bugs, etc. This order is divided into two Sub-orders, which are as follows:

Homoptera (from two Greek words, meaning *similar-winged*). Such as Plant-lice, Vine-hoppers, etc.

Heteroptera (from two Greek words, meaning *different-winged*). Such as Plant-bugs, Soldier-bugs, etc.

7.—DIPTERA (from two Greek words, signifying *two-winged*). Such as Two-winged Flies, Mosquitoes, etc.

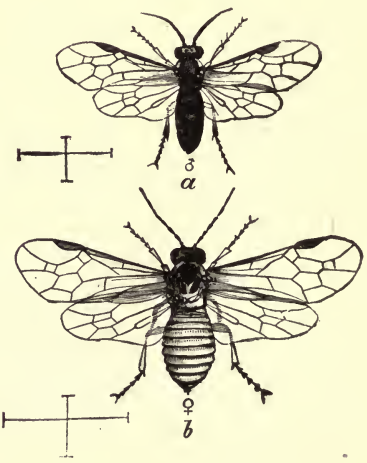
CHAPTER IX.

DESCRIPTION OF THE ORDER OF INSECTS.

SECTION 1.—GNAWING INSECTS *(Mandibulata)*.

HYMENOPTERA (*Bees, Wasps, etc.*)—These insects usually have four membraneous wings, with few veins, such as the Imported Currant Saw-flies (Fig. 133). The posterior pair are the smaller; in a few species the wings are wanting. The upper jaws are fitted for biting, while the lower jaws form a sheath around the lower lip. The three last named organs are greatly elongated, and fitted for sucking or lapping. The body is generally hard and firm, and in many species the abdomen is furnished with a sting, where-

Fig. 133



with the insects defend themselves. Some females have an exserted ovipositor (Fig. 129), with which they puncture the leaves or twigs of plants in which they deposit their eggs;

Fig. 134.



Fig. 135.



Fig. 136.



others, such as the Ichneumon-flies (Figs. 39, 40, 131, and 134), puncture the bodies or eggs of other insects, and deposit their eggs therein. The larvæ are usually destitute of legs, (see larva of the Grape-seed Maggot, Fig. 135), and many of them feed upon food provided by the parents; others are pro-

Fig. 137.



vided with twenty or twenty-two legs (such as the larva of the Rose Saw-fly, Fig. 136), and feed upon the leaves of plants, or live in the stems of plants, or in galls on plants.

Their transformations are complete, and the legs, etc., of the pupa are enclosed in separate sheaths (such as the pupa of the Strawberry Saw-fly, Fig. 137, 1 and 2). The larvæ generally change to pupæ in their nests, or in whatever substance

Fig. 139.

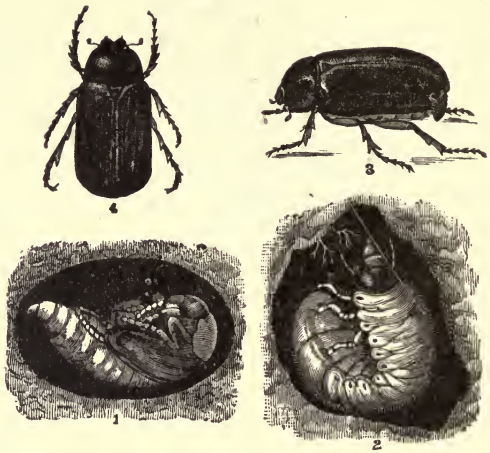


Fig. 138.



they happen to live; others spin cocoons around their bodies, usually first concealing themselves beneath fallen leaves, or entering the earth.

Coleoptera *(Beetles)*.—These insects are usually provided with four wings, but in a few species the hind wings are wanting. The fore wings *(elytra)* are of a hard, horny texture, and meet in a straight line *(suture)* along the back, except in the genus *Meloe*, where the overlap each other; in a few species the wings are united at the suture (as in several kinds of Darkling Beetles, Fig. 119). The posterior wings, when present, are membraneous, and when not in use are usually folded both lengthwise and crosswise, and concealed beneath the elytra. (The Beetles which belong to the same family as the Flat-headed Apple-tree Borer, Fig. 138, have the hind wings folded lengthwise only.) The mouth-parts are fitted for biting. Transformations complete.

The larvæ are commonly called *grubs*, and are sometimes furnished with six legs, which are placed beneath the fore part

of the body (such as the larva of the June Beetle, Fig. 139, 2); besides these there are some kinds having a fleshy proleg beneath the last segment (as the larva of the Striped Cucumber-beetle, Fig. 140). Others are entirely destitute of legs. In all of them the head is distinct. Some undergo their transmations in the substance in which they live; others enter the earth and spin a slight cocoon (Fig. 139, 1). The pupæ have the legs, etc., enclosed in separate sheaths (Fig. 131, 1).

Fig. 140.

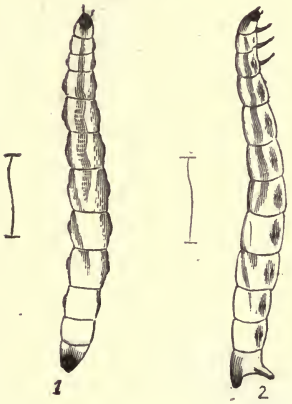


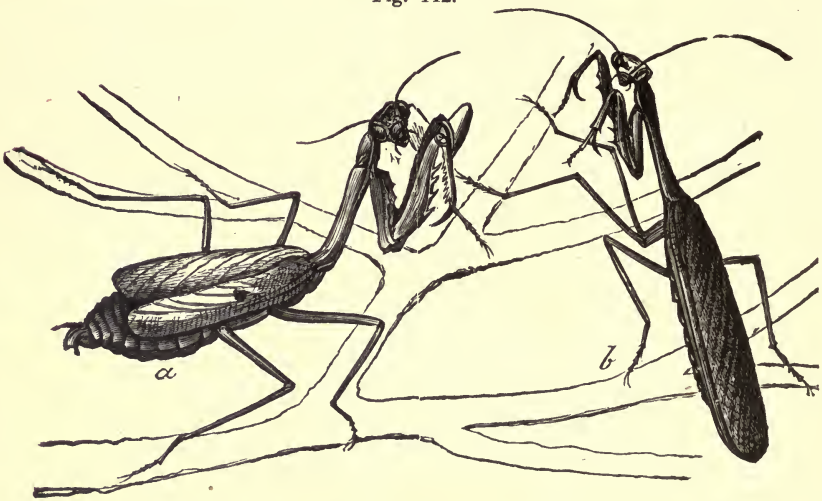
Fig. 141.



ORTHOPTERA, *(Grasshoppers, Crickets, etc.)*—The insects which belongs to this Order usually have four wings; the wings of the anterior pair are thickened or parchment-like, and overlap each other on the back (as those of the Katydid, Fig. 141), except in the Earwigs (Fig. 41). The posterior wings are thinner, and when at rest are folded up lengthwise, like a fan,

and are more or less concealed beneath the anterior pair. In a few species one or more pair of wings are wanting. The mouth-parts are fitted for biting. The transformations

Fig. 142.



are incomplete, the pupa being active. With the exception of those belonging to the same family as the Mantis (Fig. 142), all the insects of this Order are more or less injurious.

Fig. 143.



In the Earwig family (Fig. 41) the anterior wings meet in a straight line on the back, as in the Rove-beetles (Fig. 249),

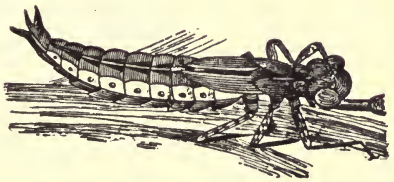
from which they are at once distinguished by the prominent anal forceps.

NEUROPTERA *(Dragon-flies, May-flies, etc.)*—These insects are mostly provided with four membraneous wings (such as the Dragon-fly, Fig. 143), but in a few species the posterior wings are wanting, while several others are entirely wingless. The wings, when present, are usually supplied with numerous cross-veins, so as to form a network, but in several species (such as in the Genus *Psocus*, Fig. 144), the cross-veins are not more numerous than they are in the wings of Butterflies and Moths. The body and its appendages are commonly soft

Fig. 144.



Fig. 145.



and weak, and the tip of the abdomen is sometimes furnished with two or three long bristles *(setæ.)* The mouth-parts are fitted for biting. The larvæ are mostly aquatic and are provided with six legs; in some the transformations are incomplete, the pupa being active (as the pupa of the Dragon-fly, Fig. 145); in others they are complete, and the pupa has the legs, etc., enclosed in separate sheaths; several pupæ of the latter kind are active, to a certain extent, just before the perfect insect emerges. With the exception of the White Ants, the insects belonging to this Order cannot be regarded as injurious, while several species are eminently beneficial (such as the laced-winged Flies, Fig. 21). Some authors have separated those insects belonging to this Order which pass through an incomplete transformation, into a distinct Sub-order, which they call *Pseudo-neuroptera;* but this course has not been generally followed.

Section II.—SUCKING INSECTS *(Haustellata)*.

Lepidoptera *(Butterflies and Moths)*.—These insects are provided with four thin wings, which are usually covered with minute, flattened scales (such as the Semicolon Butterfly, Fig.

Fig. 146.



146, and the Orchard Tent-catarpillar Moth, Fig. 147)*; the females of a few species are either wingless (as the female of the Yellow Canker-worm Moth, Fig. 148), or the wings are

Fig. 147.



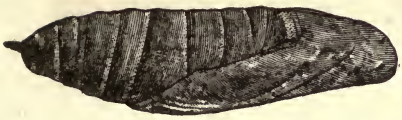
Fig. 148.



small and rudimentary. The body and its appendages are also covered with scales or short hairs. The mouth parts are fitted for sucking, the upper lip and jaws being very small or rudimentary, while the lower jaws are formed into a long tube or proboscis, which, when not in use, is coiled up like the hair spring of a watch (Fig. 115, *g*) and concealed beneath the head; in a few species which take no food while in the perfect state, the lower jaws are also rudimentary. The transfor-

* The antennæ of Butterflies always terminate in a knob (see Figs. 95 and 146); but the antennæ of Moths never terminate in a knob (see Figs. 97, 115, *a*, and 147).

Fig. 149.



mations are complete, and the various members of the pupa are enclosed in a common sheath or covering (as the pupa of the Achemon Sphinx, Fig. 149). A few of the larvæ of the smaller species of Moths are destitute of legs; others are provided with ten legs (as the Spring Canker-worm, Fig, 151, *f*);

Fig. 150.

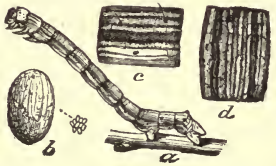
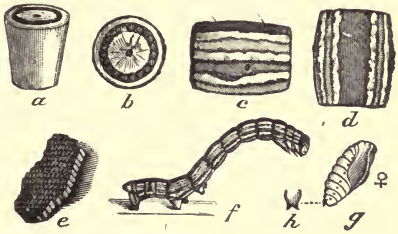


Fig. 151.



some with twelve legs (as the Fall Canker-worm, Fig. 151, *f*); the greater number have sixteen legs (as the larva of the Achemon Sphinx, Fig. 152); while a few of small size, which

Fig. 152.



mine the leaves of plants, have more than sixteen legs; in all of them the head is distinct. They are all more or less injurious, with the single exception of one species (the *Dakruma coccidivorella* of Comstock), which feeds upon young Scale-insects.

HEMIPTERA (*True Bugs*).—These insects are generally provided with four wings, but a few kinds have only two, while others are entirely destitute of wings. The mouth is fitted for suction, and is commonly called the "beak," or "proboscis." (See the Dotted-legged Plant-bug, Fig. 19, *c;* the Spined Soldier-

bug, Fig. 114, *a;* the Ring-banded Soldier-bug, Fig. 153, *c*, and the Many-banded Robber, (Fig. 154, b). It usually consists of four bristle-like organs (the upper and the lower jaws),

Fig. 154.

Fig. 153.

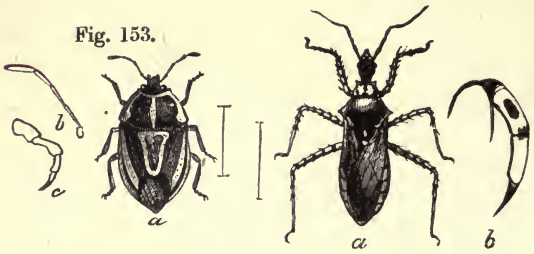


Fig. 155.



which are inclosed in the sheath-like lower lip; the upper lip is short and pointed. The transformations are incomplete. This Order is divided into two Sub-orders, as follows:

Homoptera (Plant-lice, Vine-hoppers, etc).—These insects have the wings of the same texture throughout, either wholly leathery (as those of the Buffalo Tree-hopper, Fig. 155), or

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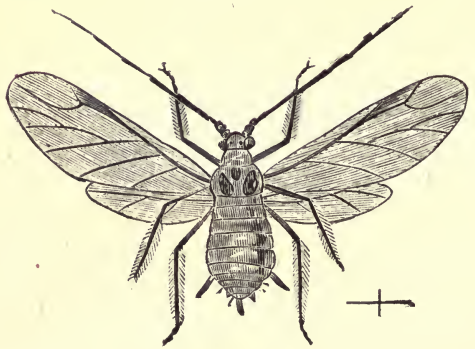


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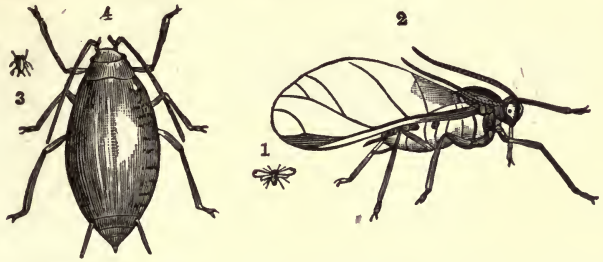


wholly membraneous (as those of the Grain Aphis, Fig. 156), and when at rest they are held slanting over the back like a steep roof (as in the Hop Aphis, Fig. 157₂); the beak arises from the posterior part of the under side of the head, and sometimes apparently from the breast.

They are all terrestrial, and are injurious to vegetation.

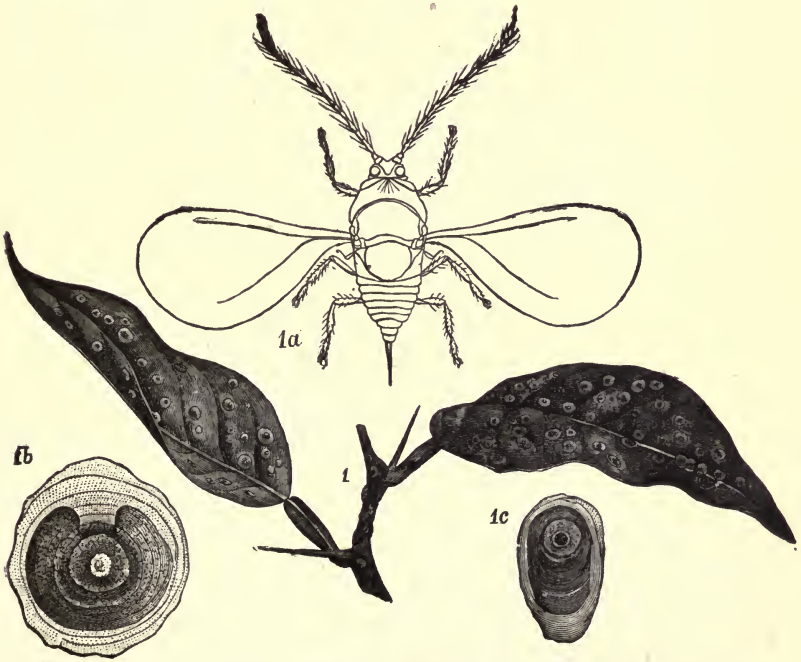
Many of them are wingless (as in Fig. 157, 4, and the Apple-tree Aphis, Fig. 158). In one family—the Scale-insects—the

Fig. 157.



females (such as those of the Red Scale, Fig. 159, *1 b*) are wingless, and the males (see Fig. 159, *1 a*) are provided with only two wings.

Fig. 159.



Heteroptera (Plant-bugs, Soldier-bugs, etc.).—These insects have the anterior wings thickened at the base, while the outer

part is thin and more membraneous (such as those of the Harlequin Cabbage-bug, Fig. 160). When at rest the wings

Fig. 160.



Fig. 162



Fig. 161.



Fig. 163.



lie flatly upon the back, and overlap each other at the tips. The beak issues from the fore part of the under side of the head, while in the Homoptera it issues from the posterior part

Fig. 164.

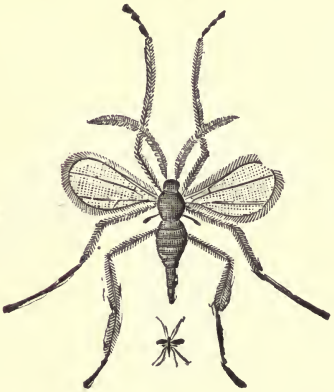
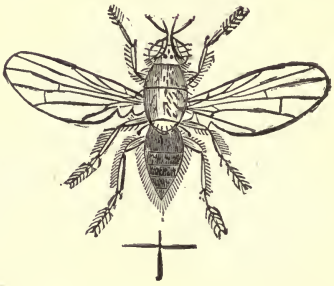


Fig. 165



of the under side of the head. In a few small species, such as the Thrips (Fig. 161) and the wingless Lice, the mouth is

furnished with jaws. Some of the insects which belong to this sub-order are terrestrial, others are aquatic (as the Large Belostoma, Fig. 162). A very few species are predaceous; others are parasitic, while still others feed upon the juices of various plants (such as the Squash-bug, Fig. 163).

DIPTERA *(Two-winged Flies).*—These insects are providad with only two wings, the posterior pair being represented by a pair of thread-like organs, knobbed at the outer end (such as seen in the Wheat-midge, Fig. 164, and the Onion-fly, Fig. 165). These are called *balancers* or *halteres*, and are never wanting, even in those species which are wingless. The mouth-parts are fitted for piercing or lapping. Transformations complete. The larvæ are destitute of legs (such as the Apple-maggot, Fig. 166, and the larvæ of the Helophilus-fly, Fig.

Fig. 166.



Fig. 167.

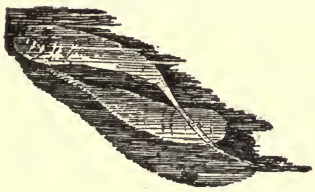
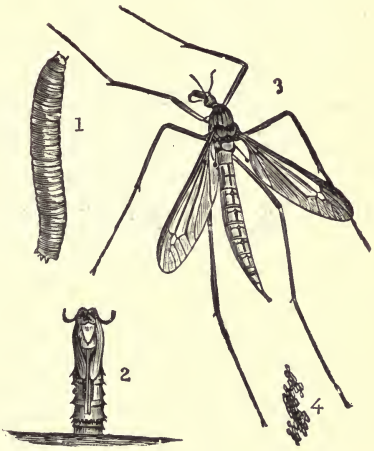


Fig. 168.



167), and are commonly called "maggots;" some are furnished with a distinct head (as the larva of the Crane-fly, Fig. 168, 1) while in others this part is soft, and of no definite shape. The legs, etc., of the pupa (Fig. 168, 2) are confined in separate sheaths, but the entire pupa is sometimes enclosed in the hardened skin of the larva (as the pupa of the Apple-maggot, Fig. 76).

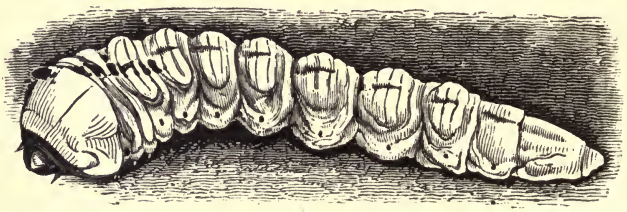
CHAPTER X.

HOW TO IDENTIFY THE ORDERS OF LARVÆ.

Those insects which, when they first issue from the egg, closely resemble the parents, are always provided with six legs. Those which are furnished with a beak belong to the Order Hemiptera, such as the larvæ of the Cabbage-bug (Fig. 66, a), and the larva of the Soldier-bug (Fig. 43, b). Those which are provided with jaws belong either to the Orthoptera or the Neuroptera; if aquatic, they belong to the latter Order; but if terrestrial, they belong to Orthoptera, such as the larva of the Earwig (Fig. 41, a).

Those which are worm-like when they issue from the egg, and are destitute of legs—such as those which are commonly called "maggots" or "grubs"—belong either to the Order

Fig. 169.



Coleoptera, Hymenoptera, or Diptera. If the body is flattened, like the larva of the Broad-necked Prionus (Fig. 169), the larva belongs to the Coleoptera, and is probably the larva of a Long-horned Borer, or of a Saw-horned Borer; if they live in nests stored with dead insects or with pollen, they belong to the Order Hymenoptera; if they have a soft retractile head, of no definite shape, they belong to the Order Diptera, as the larva of the Ox Bot-fly (Fig. 170). In the Lepidopterous families *Lycænidæ* and *Bombycidæ*, a few larvæ have the legs, so small as to be scarcely distinguishable; these larvæ or caterpillars live exposed upon the leaves of plants and trees.

Those larvæ which are worm-like and provided with six legs, and commonly also called "grubs," as the larva of the

Asparagus-beetle (Fig. 171) and the larva of the Rove-beetle (Fig. 172)—belong either to the Order Coleoptera or Neuroptera. If terrestrial, they probably belong to the Order Coleoptera—the only Neuropterous larvæ which are terrestrial being those of the Lace-winged Flies (Fig. 47) and of the Ant-lions. These larvæ differ from the Coleopterous larvæ by their long and prominent jaws, which project horizontally in front of the head.

Fig. 170.

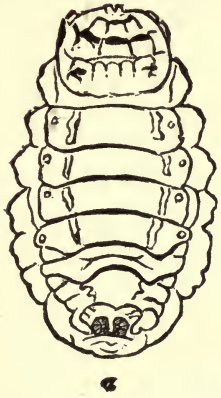


Fig. 171.



Fig. 172.



Fig. 173.



Fig. 174.



Those larvæ which are provided with from ten to sixteen legs; such as are commonly called "Caterpillars" (as the Parsley-worm. Fig. 173), "Span-worms" or "Measuring-worms," etc., belong to the Order Lepidoptera.

Those larvæ which are provided with more than sixteen legs are called "False Caterpillars," such as the Pear-slug (Fig. 174); they belong to the Order Hymenoptera, and to the family of Saw-flies.

CHAPTER XI.

HOW TO IDENTIFY THE ORDERS OF INSECTS.

Insects are divided into orders, orders into families, families into genera, genera into species.

Or to reverse this enumeration and illustrate: The Southern Cabbage-butterfly (Fig. 175) is a species, and the Imported Cabbage-butterfly (Fig. 176) is another species. These, with other species of a similar form, though not of the same color, from a *genus*.

The common Yellow Butterflies form another genus. These two, with several other genera, agreeing in certain respects, form a family. This and several other families of Butterflies, Sphinx Moths, Night-flying Moths, etc., all according in certain characteristics (for instance, in having scaly wings and bodies) form the Order *Lepidoptera*.

Fig. 175.



As a general rule, all the species of a family have sufficient resemblance to each other to enable even unscientific persons, with a little study and observation, to associate and classify them with reasonable correctness; and since among insects the members of like family usually have somewhat similar habits, by knowing the habits of a given family, when finding a certain species belonging to it, we may form a tolerably correct idea of its habits.

To illustrate the method of ascertaining the Order to which any perfect insect belongs, let us suppose an insect is presented with the inquiry: To what Order does it belong? If on examination it is found to have biting jaws, it belongs to the gnawing insects *(Mandibulata)*, and therefore must be connected with either of the Orders Hymenoptera, Coleoptera, Orthoptera, or Neuroptera, as to them belong the only insects having biting jaws. If the fore or upper wings are of a hard

and horny texture, and the under wings are thin and membraneous, and folded both lengthwise and crosswise, the insect is a Beetle (as the Prickly-bark Beetle, Fig. 177), and therefore belongs to the Order Coleoptera, as this is the only order of insects having biting jaws, and wings of the kind just mentioned. If the fore or upper wings are parchment-like, or leathery, and the under wings membraneous and folded lengthwise like a fan (as those of the Katydid, Fig. 141), the insect belongs to the Order Orthoptera, as this is the only order of insects having biting jaws and wings of the kind described.

Fig. 176.



Fig. 177.



If the insect is provided with four wings, all of which are thin and membraneous; and if furnished with biting jaws, it belongs either to the Hymenoptera or Neuroptera. If the abdomen is provided with a sting or piercer (as that of the Wasp or Hornet, Fig. 1), it belongs to the Order Hymenoptera, as this is the only order of insects having biting jaws and four membraneous wings, that has the abdomen armed with a sting or piercer. But if the four wings are of equal size, and crossed by numerous veins, forming a net-like structure, and the abdomen is soft and not armed with a sting (such as the Dragon-fly, Fig. 143), the insect belongs to the Order Neuroptera, as this is the only order of insects having biting jaws and four wings of equal size, and the abdomen not armed with a sting.

Supposing the insect presented has a mouth formed for sucking (as the Tomato-worm Moth, Fig. 178), then it belongs to either of the Orders Lepidoptera, Hemiptera, or Diptera—

that is the *Haustellate* Orders. If it is provided with four wings covered with scales, and the mouth parts are formed for sucking (as in Fig. 178), it belongs to the Order Lepidoptera,

Fig. 178.



as this is the only order of insects having four wings covered with scales and a mouth formed for sucking.

If the mouth-parts are formed for sucking, and in the form of a beak (as in the Dotted-legged Plant-bug, Fig. 20), and the insect is provided with four wings, it belongs to the Order Hemiptera, which is divided into two Sub-orders—Homoptera and Heteroptera.

If the beak issues from the anterior part of the under side of the head, and the fore or upper wings are thicker at the base than at the tip or apex, and lie flatly on the back, overlapping each other (as those of the Spined Soldier-bug, Fig. 114), the insect belongs to the Sub-order Heteroptera.

But if the beak issues from the posterior part of the under side of the head, and the anterior wings are of the same texture throughout, and when at rest are held over the back, presenting the appearance of a steep roof (as those of the Hop Aphis, Fig. 157, 2), the insect belongs to the Sub-order Homoptera.

If the insect is provided with only two wings, and the mouth parts are formed for sucking (as the Horse Bot-fly; Fig. 179), it belongs to the Order Diptera, as this is the single Order of insects having only two wings, and the mouth-parts formed for sucking or lapping.

Fig. 179.



The Fleas were formerly regarded as comprising a distinct Order, called *Aphaniptera*, but most modern authors class them with the Diptera.

Bed-bugs are placed in the Order Hemiptera, as their mouth-parts are beak-like.

The Head-lice and Body-lice are also placed in the Order Hemiptera, since their mouth-parts form a bead-like sucker. Chicken-lice, and generally those infesting fowls and animals, although they have biting jaws, are placed in the order Order Hemiptera, and seem to connect this Order with the Orthoptera.

Besides, there are wingless insects belonging to nearly every Order of insects, but these, in most cases, can be easily classified according to the structure of their mouth-parts.

The names of the different Orders end in *ptera* (meaning

wings), as Coleo*ptera*, Di*ptera*, etc.; while the names of the Families terminate in *idæ* (meaning *like* or *similar*) as Carab*idæ*, Buprest*idæ*, etc.

In writing the scientific or technical name of an insect, the *generic* name, or name of the genus, is written first, followed by its *specific* name, or name of the species; attached to this is usually the name of the person who first named and described the species; and if any person named and described the same species afterward, the second name is called a *synonym* of the name given it by its first describer. In some cases it happened that the first describer of a species did place it in the wrong genus; but when the species is afterward assigned to its proper genus, the name of its first describer (and not the name of the person who first referred it to its proper genus), must still be attached to the specific name. In cases of this kind most writers of the present day enclose the name of the first describer in a parenthesis. The following example will serve to illustrate this practice.

(Generic name.)	(Specific name.)	(First describer.)
PHILAMPELIS	ACHEMON	(Drury)

Synonyms { *Sphinx achemon*, Drury.
{ *Sphinx crantor*, Cramer.

This insect was first described by Mr. Drury, who named it *Sphinx achemon*, but as it belongs to the genus *Philampelis* instead of to *Sphinx*, i, is now known as *Philampelis achemon* (Drury). A few years after Mr. Drury had described it, Mr. Cramer supposing it to be an undescribed species, described it under the name of *Sphinx crantor*, which thus became a synonym of the name given this insect by Mr. Drury.

CHAPTER XII.

CLASSIFICATION OF INSECTS INTO FAMILIES.

It is a tolerably well established fact that the members of any given Family of insects, almost without exception, have similar habits; so that by being able to refer any insect to its proper Family, we can usually tell whether it is an injurious or a beneficial insect, according to the habits of the other insects which belong to the same Family.

FAMILIES OF HYMENOPTERA. *(Bees, Wasps, etc.)*

The following are the principal Families of this extensive Order:

Bees *(Apidæ)*.—These insects have the antennæ composed of from twelve to thirteen joints; the tongue and other mouth-parts are usually very long, and the posterior tibiæ, and sometimes the basal joint of the posterior feet, are broad, and in some species there is a bristly cavity on each posterior tibia, in which these insects, such as the Honey-bees, carry pollen, etc., to their nests. Some kinds construct nests of mud; others burrow into the stems of plants, into soft or decayed wood, or into the ground, such as the Bumble-bees (Fig. 180). A few kinds line their nests with pieces of green leaves, such as the Leaf-cutting Bee. The larvæ of a few species live parasitical in the nests of pollen-gathering Bees, and subsist upon the food which had been stored up for the young of the latter; on this account they are commonly called "Cuckoo-bees." The larvæ belonging to this Family

Fig. 180.

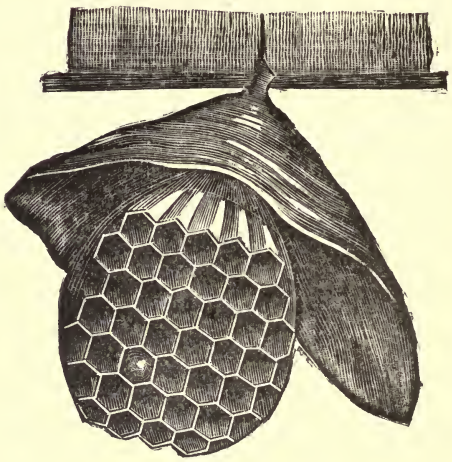


are wholly destitute of feet, like the larva of the Grape-seed Maggot (Fig. 135).

Fig. 181.

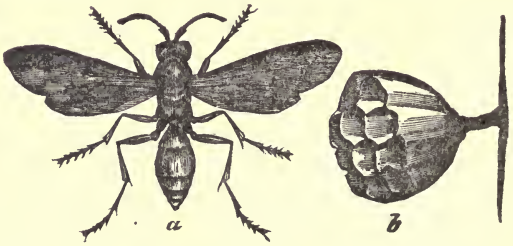


Fig. 182.



Wasps *(Vespidæ)*.—These insects have the body hard and smooth; the antennæ are elbowed *(geniculate)*; the wings are folded once, and lengthwise, when at rest, and the hind legs are smooth. These insects build nests either of mud (Fig.

Fig. 183.



181), or of a papery substance (Figs. 182, and 183, *b*), and store them with small caterpillars or other larvæ, or with a mass composed of the bodies of other insects chewed up into a pulp. Many of these wasps are predaceous, such as the Rust-red Wasp (Fig. 183, *a*), feeding upon flies, etc., but some

species attack ripe fruit. The larvæ are destitute of feet, and feed upon the food stored up by the parents.

Sand-Wasps or Wood-Wasps (*Crabronidæ, Nyssonidæ, Bembecidæ, etc.*).—These insects usually have large heads, and the antennæ are sometimes elbowed. They build their nests in holes in wood, in the stems of plants, or in the earth, and store them with spiders, flies, plant-lice, etc. The larvæ are destitute of legs, and feed upon the food stored up by the parent insects.

Digger-Wasps (*Pompilidæ, etc.*).—These wasps have long and usually spiny legs and large jaws; the antennæ are not elbowed, and the abdomen is petiolate. They build their nests in holes which they dig in the earth, storing them with insects and spiders.



A few kinds are known to feed upon over-ripe fruit; such as the Red-winged Wasp (Fig. 184). The larvæ are destitute of feet. A large species of this Family is commonly called the "Tarantula Hawk."

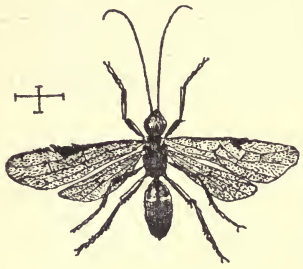
Ants (*Formicidæ*).—The males and females, when they first issue from the pupa, are usually provided with four wings, but the workers are wingless; the antennæ are always elbowed. The larvæ are footless, and are fed upon food which has been elaborated in the stomachs of the workers.

Golden-Wasps (*Chrysididæ*). These insects are either green or black; the antennæ are elbowed and composed of thirteen joints; the eyes are oval and the ocelli are distinct. The larvæ are destitute of feet and live in the nests of Bees or Wasps, first destroying the original inhabitant, and then feeding upon the food that has been stored up for it.

Ichneumon-Flies (*Ichneumonidæ*).—These insects have long antennæ, composed of from fifteen to fifty joints, as the Ring-legged Pimpla (Fig. 134) and the delicate Long-sting (Fig. 131), and their antennæ are not usually elbowed;

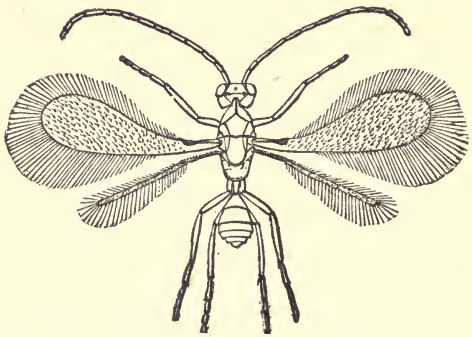
the abdomen is generally long and slender (Figs. 39, 40, and 131); the ovipositor is sometimes exserted, and is frequently as long and occasionally much longer than the body, (Figs. 39, 40. and 131). These insects are among the most beneficial insects known, as their larvæ live within the bodies of caterpillars and other injurious larvæ (as the Bacon-fly Parasite, Fig. 185, which preys upon De Long's Moth) as well as in the bodies of many perfect insects, spiders, etc., ultimately causing their death. The larvæ are footless, and usually spin cocoons wherein to undergo their transformations.

Fig. 185.



Egg-Parasites (*Proctotrupidæ*).—These are minute insects, with only a few veins in the wings (Fig. 186)—frequently but one; the antennæ are sometimes elbowed; the ovipositor of the female issues from the tip of the abdomen. They live in their larval state within the eggs, larvæ, or pupæ of other insects. The perfect insect seldom exceeds one twenty-eighth of an inch in length.

Fig. 186.



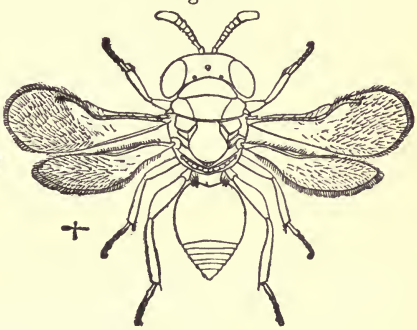
Brasslets or Chalcis-Flies (*Chalcididæ*).—These are very small insects with elbowed antennæ (as shown in Fig. 187), and are frequently of a metallic color; the wings are usually

furnished with but few veins (Fig. 188), sometimes with only one, while a few species are destitute of wings; the ovipositor of the female issues from the under side of the abdomen, forward of the tip. The larvæ are footless and live in the eggs, larvæ, or pupæ of other insects, while a few kinds live in galls or in fruits; they do not usually spin cocoons before assuming the pupa form.

Fig. 187.



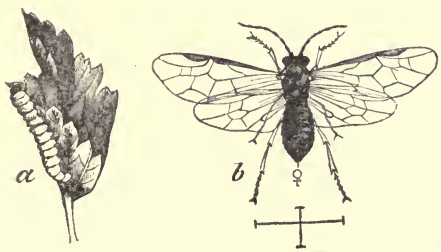
Fig. 188.



GALL-FLIES (*Cynipidæ*).—These insects have the antennæ composed of from thirteen to sixteen joints, and not elbowed; the abdomen of the female is usually armed with a piercer. The larvæ live in galls on plants, or in the larvæ or pupæ of other insects.

SAW-FLIES (*Tenthredinidæ*).—In these insects the veins of the fore-wings extend to the outer margin; the antennæ are not elbowed, as in the Native Currant Saw-fly (Fig. 189), the anterior tibæ have two spurs at the tip of each; the abdomen is united to the thorax by nearly the whole width; the segments of the abdomen are each of almost the same width, and the abdomen of the female is furnished with two saw-like instruments (Fig. 129), with which she punctures the leaves or tender stems of plants,

Fig. 189



where to deposit her eggs. The larvæ are generally naked, and are provided with twenty or twenty-two legs (Figs. 44, 60, 136, 137, and 174.) They usually live exposed upon the leaves of plants, but a few kinds live in galls. (For other examples of the perfect insects, see Figs. 14, 130, and 133.)

Horn-tails (*Uroceridæ*).—These insects are mostly of a large size ; the veins of the front wings extend to the outer edge; the abdomen is more or less cylindrical, and in the males there is a long horn at the tip; the ovipositor of the female is attached to the middle of the under side of the abdomen, and extends far beyond its tip, and the anterior tibiæ have a single spur at the tip. The larvæ live in the trunks, etc., of trees, and are provided with only six legs, the prolegs being obsolete, or nearly so.

CHAPTER XIII.

Families of LEPIDOPTERA. *(Butterflies and Moths.)*

The insects belonging to this Order are divided into two Classes, as follows :

Class I.—Butterflies (*Rhopalocera*).—In these insects the antennæ are filiform and terminate in a knob (Fig. 95), which is sometimes produced into a hook at the tip.

These insects fly only in the daytime, and are usually of bright colors; the hind wings are generally colored as brightly as the fore ones; when at rest the wings are usually brought together over the back, but some of the Skippers hold the hind wing stretched out or expanded when at rest. The larvæ or caterpillars mostly live exposed upon the leaves of plants, but a few kinds live under a web, in a rolled leaf, or in a nest formed by fastening several leaves together with silken threads. They are provided with sixteen legs, but in a few kinds these are so small that in creeping the whole under surface of the body touches the object upon which the caterpillar is crawling.

When about to assume the pupa form, the greater number suspend themselves in various ways ; others construct a sort

of cocoon by fastening several leaves together with silken threads, and lining the interior with a thin layer of silk.

The chrysalids of this latter class are usually smooth and cylindrical, but taper posteriorly; the others are angular and more or less tuberculate.

Class II.—Moths (*Heterocera*).—In these insects the antennæ never terminate in a knob, although it is frequently thickened towards the tip.

These insects usually fly about only at night or in the evening; their colors are generally dull, mostly of some shade of gray, and the hind wings are seldom colored as brightly as the fore wings, being commonly of a dirty-white or smoky color. When at rest the wings usually cover the back like a steep roof, the fore wings concealing the hind ones.

Fig. 190



A very few of the Caterpillars (such as those of the Plume-moths) suspend themselves when about to change to a pupa; but the greater number either spin cocoons, or enter the earth and form smooth cells in which to undergo their transformations.

Class I.—Butterflies. (*Rhopalocera.*)

These insects are divided into five Families, as follows:

Swallow-Tails (*Papilionidæ*).—These Butterflies have the

hind wings produced into a broad tail, and are hollowed out next the body (as the Turnus-butterfly, Fig. 190); the anterior pair of tibiæ have a stout spur near the middle of each.

These Butterflies are usually of a large size, and their colors are mostly yellow and black.

Their caterpillars live exposed upon the leaves (such as the caterpillar of the Turnus-butterfly, Fig. 49); sometimes spinning a web upon the upper surface of a leaf, upon which they rest when not feeding. When about to change to a pupa they suspend themselves by the hind part of the body and by a transverse loop of silken threads passed around the fore part of the body.

Fig. 191.



Fig. 192.

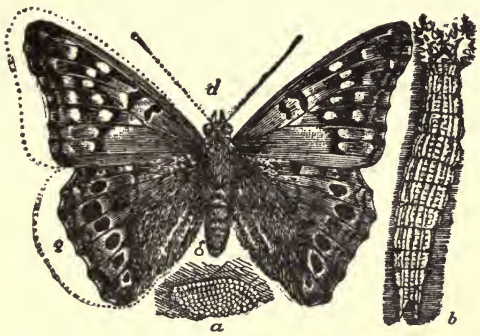


White and Yellow Butterflies (*Pieridæ*).—These Butterflies have the hind wings rounded behind, that is not tailed, and the inner margin is concave; the anterior tibiæ are destitute of a spur at the middle; the colors are white and black (as those of the Imported Cabbage-butterfly, Fig. 191), or yellow and black, sometimes tinged with green. Their caterpillars live exposed on the leaves (as that, Fig. 192, *a*, of the Imported Cabbage-butterfly), and when about to enter the pupa state they suspend themselves by the hind part of the body and a transverse loop of silken threads (Fig. 192, *b*). They are generally naked or nearly so; their color is usually green.

Four-footed Butterflies *(Nymphalidæ)*.—These Butterflies usually have the hind wings rounded (as the Tawny

Emperor-butterfly, Fig. 193, *d)*, and the first pair of feet are imperfect, being destitute of claws, and are never used in walking; the first pair of legs are folded up against the breast, like

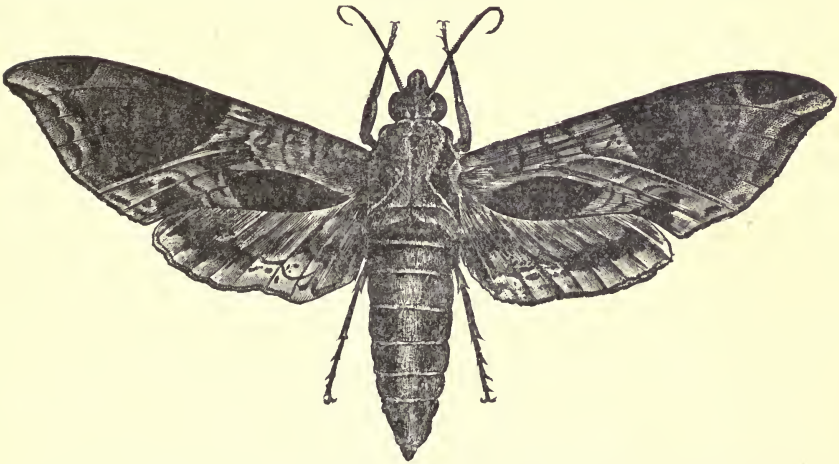
Fig. 193.



a tippet. The colors are usually brown and black, sometimes almost wholly black, or marked with whitish bands or borders.

Their caterpillars are sometimes naked (as the caterpillar of the Archippus-butterfly, Fig. 78), but are more often cov-

Fig. 194.



ered with spines or bristles; they usually live exposed upon the leaves, but several kinds live beneath a web. When about to undergo transformation, their caterpillars suspend them-

selves by the hind part of the body (Figs. 79 and 80). The Archippus-butterfly (Fig. 81) belongs to this family.

THECLA AND COPPER BUTTERFLIES *(Lycænidæ).*—These are are small butterflies of a blue, brown, or black color, and in a few species the hind wings are furnished with one or two very slender tails; the hind wings are hollowed out next the body, and the hind tibiæ are furnished with only one pair of spurs.

Their caterpillars live exposed upon the leaves of plants, and are usually naked, of a green color, and nearly destitute of feet. When about to change to pupæ, they suspend themselves by the hind part of the body and by a transverse loop of silken threads passed around the fore part of the body.

SKIPPERS *(Hesperidæ).*—These Butterflies have large heads and thick bodies; when at rest the hind wings are usually spread out, while the fore ones are brought together over the back; the middle tibiæ are furnished with a pair of spurs near the middle of each, and the hind tibiæ frequently have a pair of spurs at the middle and another pair at the tips; the claws at the end of the feet have a deep notch in the middle.

These insects fly with a rapid jerking motion; the colors are mostly black and brown.

Their caterpillars are commonly naked and spindle-shaped, with the head much wider than the fore part of the first segment of the body; they usually live between two or more leaves fastened together with silken threads. They change to pupæ in their cases, and the chrysalids are smooth and taper at one end, and are usually covered with a bluish powder.

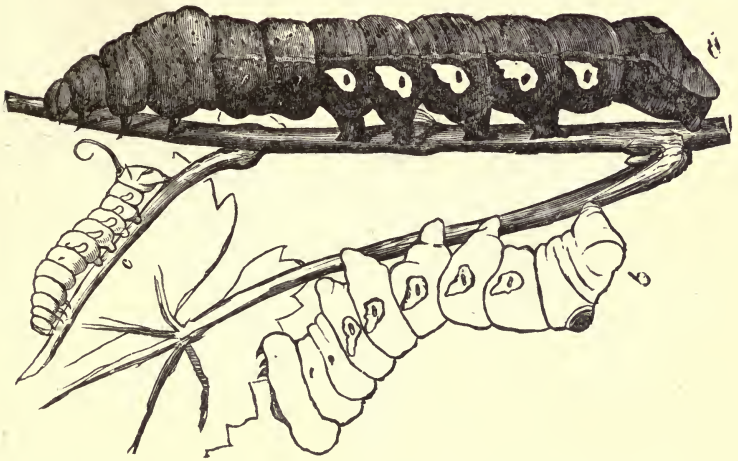
CLASS II.—MOTHS. *(Heterocera.)*

These insects are divided into nine Families, as follows:

HAWK-MOTHS *(Sphingidæ).*—These moths have the body stout and spindle-shaped; the wings are strong, long and narrow, and sometimes partly transparent; the hind wings are usually not more than one-half as long as the fore wings; the head is not sunken into the thorax; the palpi are very stout and hairy, and are placed close together; the antennæ are

usually prismatic and spindle-shaped, and are sometimes hooked at the tip.

Fig. 195.



These moths fly mostly in the evening twilight; their flight is strong and rapid, and they may frequently be seen hovering over flowers, like humming birds.

Fig. 196.



Their caterpillars are naked and provided with sixteen legs, and sometimes have a spine or horn on the eleventh segment; they live exposed upon the leaves of plants. When about to

change to pupæ, they either creep beneath the fallen leaves, etc., or else enter the earth and form smooth cells, in which to undergo their transformation. The Satellitia Sphinx and Caterpillar (Figs. 194 and 195), the Achemon Sphinx and

Fig. 197.



Caterpillar (Figs. 196 and 152), and the White-lined Sphinx and Caterpillar (Figs. 197 and 198), are examples of this Family.

Clear-Winged Moths *(Ægeridæ)*.—These insects have the body quite slender, and there is frequently a fan-shaped tuft at its tip; the wings are narrow and usually partially transparent, and the hind wings are nearly as long as the front ones.

Fig. 198.



These insects are diurnal in their habits, and quite closely resemble certain wasps, but the body is clothed with scales, and is not pointed behind,

Their caterpillars are provided with sixteen legs, and usually

live within the stems or roots of plants; they become pupæ within their burrows. The Peach-tree Moth and Borer (Figs. 199 and 200), and the Raspberry-root Borer (Fig. 201), are examples of this Family.

Fig. 199.



Fig. 201.



Fig. 200.



Wood-Nymphs *(Zygænidæ)*.—In these insects the head is not sunken into the thorax, the palpi are slender, the wings are quite long and narrow, and the thorax is not tufted. The ground color is usually black or white.

The larvæ are provided with sixteen legs, and are commonly naked, but are sometimes more or less covered with hairs.

Fig. 202.

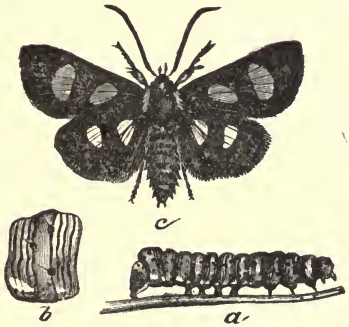
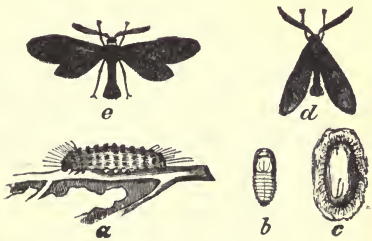


Fig. 203.



Some kinds spin cocoons when about to change to pupæ, but the greater number enter the earth, or burrow into soft wood, and form cells in which to undergo their transformations.

The Beautiful Wood-nymph (Fig. 17); the Eight-spotted Forester (Fig. 202), and the American Procris (Fig. 203), are excellent examples of this Family.

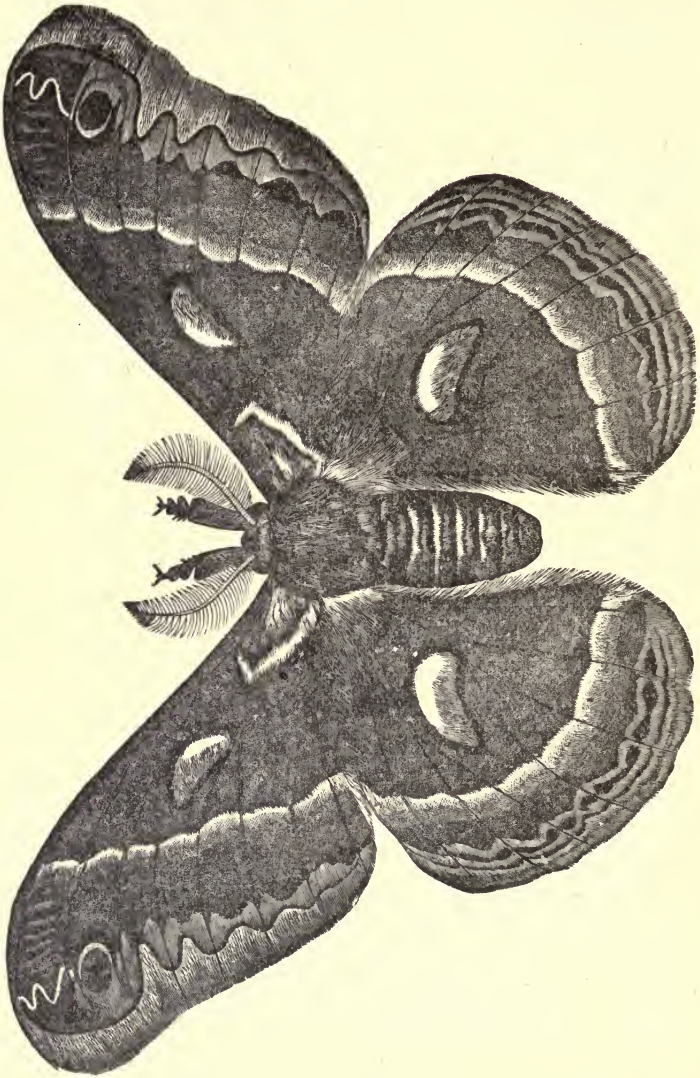


Fig. 204.

Spinners (*Bombycidæ*).—These moths are nocturnal in their habits; the body is quite stout, the head is small and appar-

ently sunken into the thorax, the antennæ are frequently pectinated, the palpi are very short, and the wings are usually quite large, but the females of a few species are wingless.

Fig. 205.



Fig. 207.

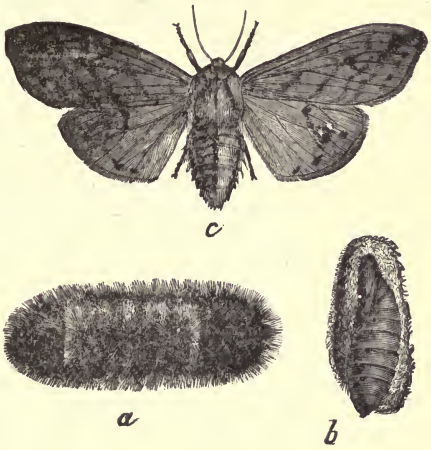
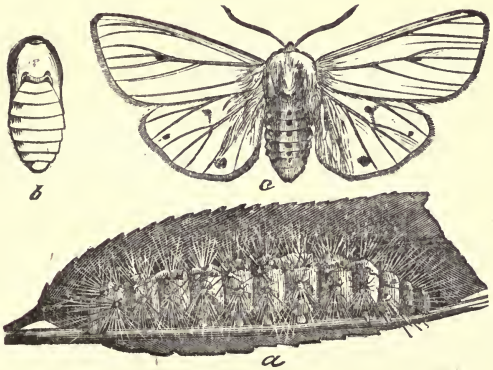


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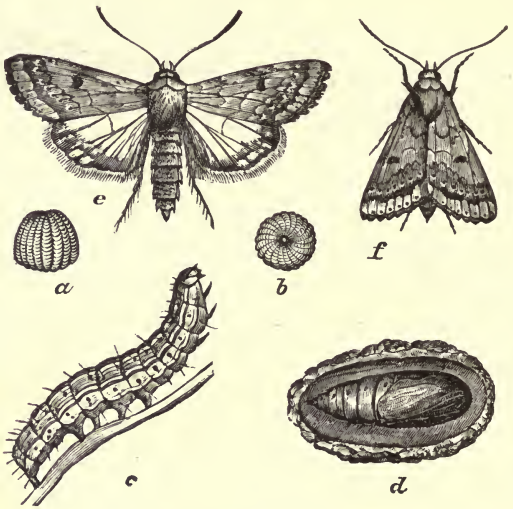


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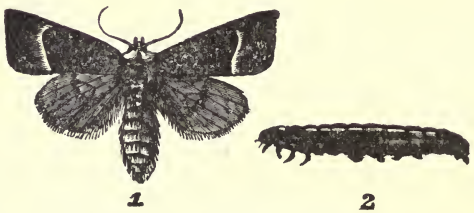
Their caterpillars are provided with sixteen legs, but in some these are very small, so that the larva appears to glide over the surface like a slug; in others the last pair is imper-

Fig. 209.



fect. Some are naked, while others are clothed with hairs or spines. Some live exposed upon the leaves; others live beneath a web, or in a nest of leaves; a few construct cases in which to dwell, while a still smaller number live within the

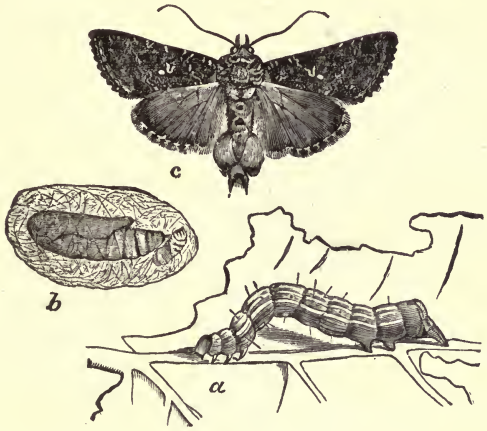
Fig. 210.



trunks of trees. The greater number spin cocoons in which to undergo their transformations. The Cecropia Moth and Caterpillar (Figs. 204 and 50); the Silk-worm and moth (Figs. 205 and 206); the Isabella Moth (Fig. 207), and the White Miller (Fig. 208, are examples of this Family.

Owlet Moths *(Noctuidæ)*.—These moths usually have the thorax or abdomen tufted; the head is not sunken into the thorax, the palpi are stout and well developed, the antennæ are generally simple, and the wings are quite large.

Fig. 211.



Their caterpillars have from twelve to sixteen legs, and are usually naked, but a few kinds are covered with hairs. The greater number live exposed upon the leaves, but a few kinds live within the stems of plants, in the ground, or in decayed wood. A few kinds spin cocoons, but the greater number enter the earth when changing to pupæ.

Fig. 212.



The Corn-worm and Moth (Fig. 209); the Stalk-borer and Moth (Fig. 210); the Cabbage Plusia (Fig. 211); the Figure 8 Minor Moth and its caterpillar, the Bristly Cut-worm (Fig. 212), are examples of this Family.

Geometrid Moths *(Phalænidæ)*.—These moths usually have long, slender bodies; the thorax is never tufted, the legs are long and slender, the anterior tibiæ are generally unarmed and the hind tibiæ are commonly armed with one or two pair of spurs. The head is small and free, or not sunken into the

Fig. 213.



Fig. 214.



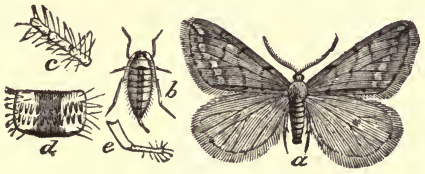
thorax, the antennæ are usually simple, but sometimes pectinate; the palpi are rather small and slender, the wings are usually triangular, broad and thin, and spread out in repose; the stigmata* are wanting. In a few species the females are wingless.

The caterpillars live exposed upon the leaves; they are naked, and are provided with from ten to fourteen legs; in walking they arch up the middle of the body and bring the hind feet close up to the front ones, thus seeming to span or measure the surface over which they pass, on which account they are commonly called "Span-worms," or "Measuring-worms." When disturbed they usually drop from their perch

*A term applied to the "orbicular" and "reniform" spots. (See Fig. 121.)

and hang suspended by a silken thread; and when they think the danger is past, they climb up the thread to their former position. They frequently hold the body stretched out and attached only by the hind feet, and while in this position may easily be mistaken for small twigs.

Fig. 215.



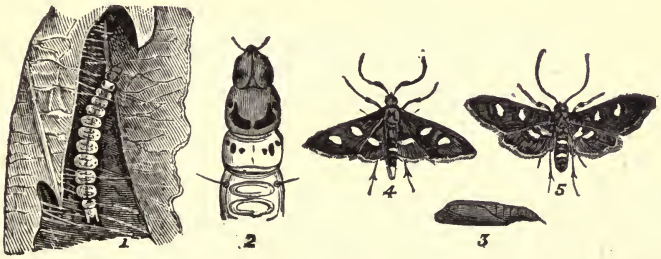
The greater number enter the earth when changing to pupæ, but some kinds spin their thin cocoon among the leaves, while others are said to suspend themselves. The specific

Fig. 216.



names of those species the males of which have pectinate antennæ, usually terminate in *aria*, while the names of those having simple antennæ commonly terminate in *ata*.

Fig. 217.



The Currant Span-worm and Moth (Figs. 213 and 214), the Spring Canker-worm and Moth (Figs. 150 and 215), and the

Fall Canker-worm and Moth (Figs. 151 and 216) are examples of this Family.

Snout Moths (*Pyralidæ*).—These moths have the body quite long and slender; the antennæ are not pectinate, the palpi are usually very long, and the legs are mostly unarmed.

The caterpillars are naked, and are commonly provided with sixteen legs. They generally live in silken tubes or cases, or in a nest of leaves, or in fruit.

Fig. 218.



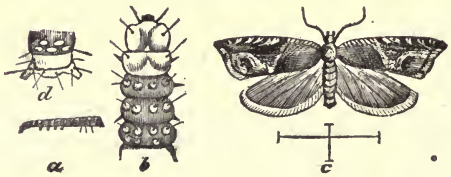
Fig. 219.



The Grape-leaf Folder (Fig. 217), the Clover-hay Worm (Fig. 218), and the Gooseberry-fruit Moth (Fig. 219), are examples of this family.

Leaf-Rollers (*Tortricidæ*).—These moths are usually quite small; the antennæ are simple and short, the palpi are very short, and the fore-wings are nearly of the same width throughout, and are often considerably rounded on the front edge

Fig. 220.



The caterpillars are naked, and provided with sixteen legs; they live in a rolled leaf, or in a nest of leaves; a few kinds live in fruit. The specific name of these insects usually terminate in *ana*.

The Strawberry-leaf Roller (Fig. 220), the Cherry-leaf Roller (Fig. 221), the Bud-worm and Moth (Fig. 222), and the Codlin Moth (Fig. 223), are examples of this Family.

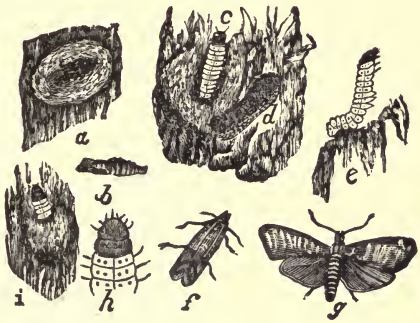
Fig. 221.



Fig. 222.



Fig. 223.



Leaf-Miners (*Tineidæ*).—These moths are of small size; the body is slender, the wings commonly are pointed and heavily fringed, the palpi are usually long and curved in front of the head; the antennæ are frequently long and simple.

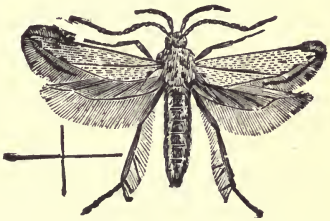
Fig. 224.



Fig. 225.



Fig. 226.



The caterpillars are naked, and usually provided with sixteen legs, but in the very small species there is sometimes a greater number of legs than sixteen, while some are wholly destitute of legs. Some kinds live in a rolled leaf, others live in mines in the leaves, while still others live in carpets, woolens, furs, seeds, etc. The specific names of these moths usually terminate in *ella*.

The Potato Moth (Fig. 224), the Clothes Moth (Fig. 225), and the Grain Moth (Fig. 226), are examples of this Family.

Plume Moths (*Pterophoridæ*).—These Moths are mostly of a small size, and may easily be recognized as they have the fore-wings once or twice notched or cleft at or near the base; their hind wings are twice-cleft.

Fig. 227.



The caterpillars usually live exposed upon the leaves of plants; they are thinly covered with short, stiff hairs, and are provided with sixteen legs. When about to shed their larva-skin and change to paupæ, they fasten themselves to some object by the underside of the hind part of the body. The chrysalids generally are angular and sparsely hairy.

The specific names of these insects usually end in *dactylus*.

The Grape Plume-moth (Fig. 227), is an example of this Family.

CHAPTER XIV.

Families of DIPTERA. *(Two-winged Flies.)*

The insects belonging to this Order are divided into two Classes, as follows:

Class I.—Long-horned Flies *(Nemocera)*.—In these insects the antennæ are usually long and composed of four or more joints. None of these flies are beneficial, while several species are occasionally very injurious. The pupa has the members inclosed in separate sheaths.

Class II.—Short-horned Flies *(Brachycera)*.—In these insects the antennæ are short and have from two to three joints, although in a few kinds the last joint appears to be divided into two or more joints by impressed circles; but the difference between these circles and the real divisions is easily observed. These organs are sometimes bent down upon the face, and the last joint is frequently furnished with a short bristle *(arista)*, which is sometimes pectinate, or plumose. The pupa rarely has the different members inclosed in separate sheaths, while in the greater numeer it is inclosed in the hardened skin of the larva. Some of these insects are beneficial, but the greater number are injurious.

Class I. Long-horned Flies. *(Nemocera.)*

Mosquitoes *(Culicidæ)*.—In these insects the mouth-parts consist of six slender pieces or lancets. The larvæ are aquatic and feed upon decaying vegetable matter. It is only the female mosquitoes that bite, and suck blood; the males being perfectly harmless (Fig. 228).

Gall-Gnats (*Cecidomyidæ*).—These insects are usually of small size; the wings are furnished with three or four longitudinal veins, and when at rest are generally folded flatly upon the back. The greater number of these insects live in galls, but a few kinds live in decayed vegetable matter, and one species, which is closely related to the Wheat Midge, feeds upon the gall-inhabiting species of the Grape Phylloxera. This

Family contains the Hessian-fly (Fig. 17), Wheat Midge (Fig. 229), etc.

Crane-Flies *(Tipulidæ).*—These insects are usually of large size, and have very long, slender legs; the wings frequently have a discal cell, the ocelli are generally wanting, the tibiæ are not set with spines, although often spurred at the tip. In the genus *Chionea* the wings are wanting. The larvæ generally live in the ground and feed upon the roots of plants, but in a few species they are aquatic. (See Figs. 8 and 168.)

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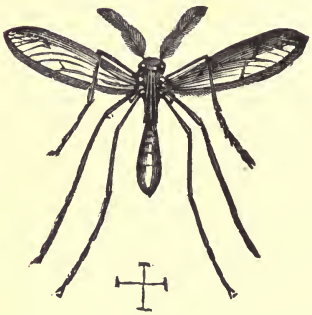
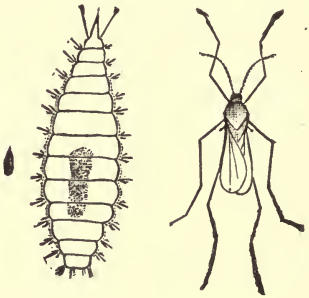


Fig. 229.



Fleas *(Pulicidæ).*—These insects are destitute of wings, and the eyes are simple. This Family contains the Fleas, etc. One Species, the Chigoe or Jigger, burrows beneath the skin of man and of other animals.

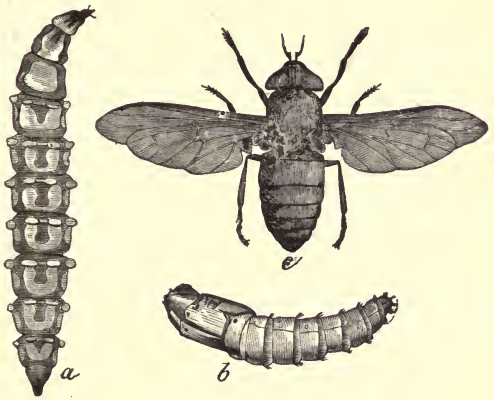
Class II. Short-horned Flies. *(Brachycera.)*

Horse-Flies *(Tabanidæ).*—These insects have a perfect discal cell in their wings, the third longitudinal vein is forked, and the third joint of the antennæ is destitute of a style or bristle. The larvæ are aquatic, or live in damp situations, and commonly feed upon snails, etc.; the pupæ are covered *(obtected).* The female flies subsist on the blood of animals, while the males feed upon the nectar of flowers. The Black Horse-fly (Fig. 230) belongs to this Family.

Syrphus-Flies *(Syrphidæ).*—These flies have a perfect discal cell in each wing, the first posterior cell is closed, and there is usually a spurious or false vein extending part of the way

through the first basal and first posterior cells. These insects fly very rapidly, and sometimes balance themselves on the wing, like a hawk; they are usually banded with yellow, somewhat like a wasp. They feed on the nectar of flowers. The larvæ of a few species are aquatic, but the greater number are terrestrial and feed on plant-lice; one species, however,

Fig. 230.



the Narcissus-fly, is said to live in the soil, around decayed bulbs. The pupæ are coarctate, and the slender anterior end of the larva becomes the thickened end in the pupa. (See Figs. 231 and 232.)

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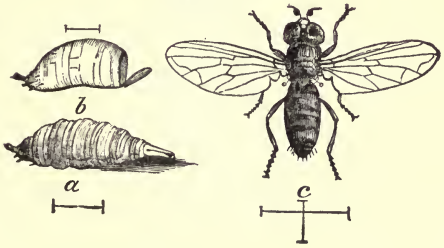


Fig. 232.



Bot-Flies (*Æstridæ*).—These flies usually have very small antennæ, which are situated in rounded pits or depressions; the mouth-parts are small, and often rudimentary, the body

is stout and hairy, and the middle of the face is generally very narrow. The larvæ live in the bodies of various animals, and enter the earth to change to pupæ; the pupæ are coarctate. The female flies are usually oviparous, but one species, the Sheep Bot-fly (Fig. 233), is stated by Prof. Riley to be viviparous. The Ox Bot-fly (Fig. 234) and the Horse Bot-fly (Fig. 235) belong to this family.

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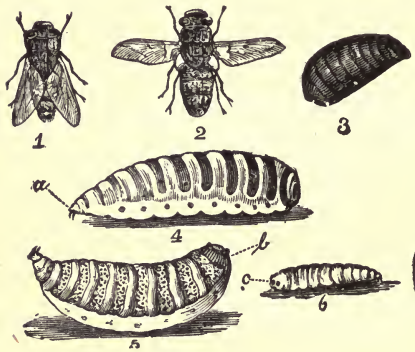


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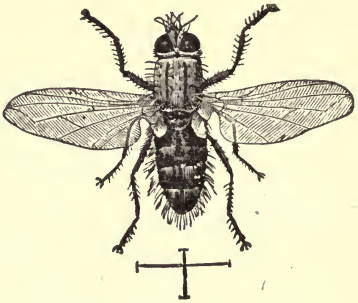


House-Flies (*Muscidæ*).—These flies have the third joint of the antennæ furnished with a style which is either pectinate, or plumose, or sometimes simple; the longitudinal veins of the wings are not forked, and the proboscis usually ends in a fleshy lobe. The pupæ are coarctate.

Fig. 235.



Fig. 236.



In the Tachina-flies, the style of the antennæ is simple, or, rarely, pectinate. These Flies (Fig 236) are among the most beneficial of insects, since their larvæ live within the bodies of caterpillars, etc., ultimately causing their death.

Many kinds of flies have the antennal style either pectinate or plumose, such as the Blow-flies, Flesh-flies, House-flies, Stable-flies, etc. The larvæ live in various substances, as in excrements, in decayed animal or vegetable matter, in galls on plants, or in the roots, stems, or leaves of plants, in fruit, etc., and are, therefore, to be mostly regarded as injurious. One species, however, the *Anthomyia calopteni*, is eminently beneficial, as it feeds upon the eggs of those grasshoppers or locusts which deposit their eggs in the ground.

The Flesh-flies (Fig. 22) bring forth their young alive. One of this species of flies has been bred from a wasp's nest which was filled with dead spiders, in the body of which the parent-fly had laid its eggs.

CHAPTER XV.

FAMILIES OF COLEOPTERA. *(Beetles.)*

The insects belonging to this Order are divided into four Classes, according to the number of joints* in their feet; these Classes are as follows:

Fig. 237.



Fig. 238.



Fig. 239.



* By the term "joint" is meant the *node* or part between two joints. In this sense the part of our arm between the joints of the elbow and wrist would be called a *joint*. The joints of the foot (*tarsus*) are numbered from the shin (*tibia*) outwards; thus the joint next the shin is the first joint, the one next to this is the second, etc.

Class I.—Beetles with five-jointed feet *(Pentamera).* (See Fig. 103.)

Class II.—Beetles with five joints in the anterior, and middle feet, and only four joints in the posterior feet (*Heteromera).* (See Fig. 119.)

Class III.—Beetles with four joints in each foot *(Tetramera);* such as the Broad-necked Prionus-beetle (Fig. 237), and the Twelve-spotted Diabrotica (Fig. 238).

Class IV.—Beetles with only three-jointed feet *(Trimera);* such as the Trim Lady-bird (Fig. 239).

Class I. PENTAMERA.

A few small insects, although having apparently a less number of joints in their feet than five, are placed in this Class; in these the first joint is aborted, or rudimentary; these species are included in the Sub-classes II. and III., defined below.

The insects belonging to this Class may be divided into six Sub-classes as follows:

Sub-Class I. *(Filicornes).*—Antennæ thread-like *(filiform),* sometimes tapering to the tip (Fig. 94); habits predaceous.

Sub-Class II. *(Clavicornes).*—Antennæ becoming thicker towards the tip *(clavate,* Fig. 92*).* These insects mostly feed upon decaying vegetable or animal matter.

Sub-Class III. *(Monilicornes.)*—Antennæ bead-like *(moniliform);* wing cases very short. These insects usually feed upon decayed animal matter.

Sub-Class IV. *(Pecticornes.)*—Antennæ pectinate or comb-toothed (Fig. 102); they feed on decayed wood.

Sub-Class V. *(Lamellicornes.)*—Antennæ lamellate (Figs. 100 and 101). These insects feed upon excrements or on plants.

Sub-Class VI. *(Serricornes.)*—Antennæ usually saw-toothed (*serrate,* Fig. 99). Some of these insects are predaceous, but the greater number live within the stems or branches of shrubs or trees.

Sub-Class I. (*Filicornes*).

The insects belonging to this Sub-class may be divided into two Tribes, as follows :

TRIBE I. Predaceous Ground-Beetles.—These insects are most terrestrial in their habits, and usually prey upon other insects; the hind pair of trochantees are very large, much larger than in any other insects.

These Beetles are divided into two Families, as follows :

Tiger-Beetles (*Cicindelidæ*).—These insects have the head nearly vertical and wider than the thorax; the antennæ are inserted on the front, and the wing-cases are usually marked with white and yellow.

Fig. 240.



Fig. 241.



Fig. 242.



The larvæ are provided with six legs; they live in holes in the ground, and feed upon caterpillars and other insects. The Common Tiger-beetle (Fig. 240), the Generous Tiger-beetle (Fig. 241), and the Virginian Tiger-beetle, (Fig. 242), are examples of this Family.

Fig. 243.



Ground-Beetles (*Carabidæ*).—These insects have the head horizontal, or but little inclined, and generally narrower than the thorax; the antennæ are inserted under the sides of the front, and the color is mostly black.

The larvæ are provided with six legs; they live in the ground, beneath logs, etc., and feed upon other insects. The adults

are usually predaceous, but one or two species have been known to feed upon the green seeds of various plants. The Gold-spotted Ground-beetle (Fig. 243) is an example of this Family.

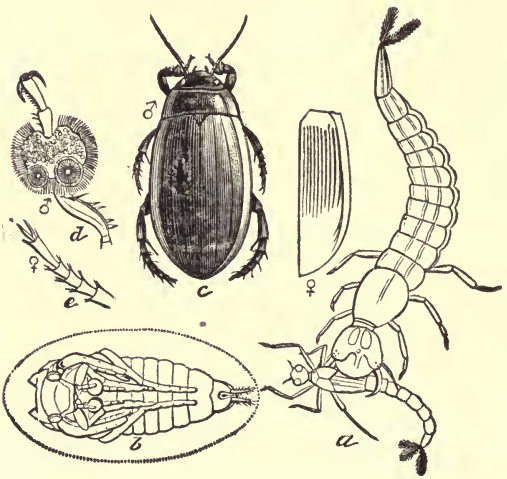
TRIBE II. PREDACEOUS WATER-BEETLES—These insects are aquatic in their habits, and prey upon other insects. They comprise two Families, as follows :

DIVERS (*Dytisidæ*).—In these insects the antennæ are slender and filiform, and the hind pair of legs are widely separated from the middle pair.

The larvæ are provided with six legs. The Margined Water-beetle (Fig. 244)* belongs to this Family.

WHIRLIGIG-BEETLES (*Gyrinidæ*).—These Beetles have the third joint of the antennæ very large, and dilated on one side; the eyes are divided in the middle; the hind pair of legs are not further separated from the middle pair than the first pair are.

Fig. 244.



These insects are frequently seen swimming in circles upon the surface of the water. The larvæ are six-legged, and usually have a row of long appendages on each side of the body.

* FIG. 244.—The larva (*a*) and the pupa (*b*) are not those of the beetle figured at *c*; *d* is the anterior foot of the male; *e*, that of the female.

Sub-Class II. *(Clavicornes.)*

These insects may be divided into two Tribes, as follows:

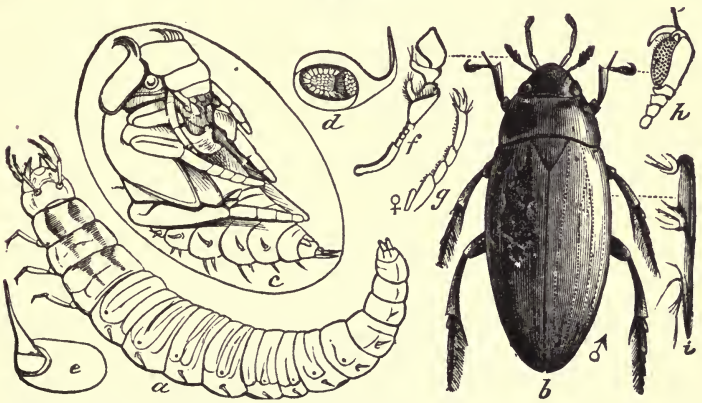
TRIBE I. Water Scavenger-beetles.—These Beetles are aquatic in their habits, and usually feed upon decayed vegetable matter; they generally have the antennæ strongly clavate, and the palpi are sometimes longer than the antennæ. They belong to two Families, as follows:.

Long-toed Water-Beetles *(Parnidæ,)*.—These insects have the last joint of each foot very long, the feet sometimes are only four-jointed, the palpi are moderate in length and the legs are not fitted for swimming

The larvæ are furnished with six legs, and the adults are are usually found in moist or wet places.

Short-toed Water-Beetles *(Hydrophilidæ)*.—In these Beetles the last joint of each foot is not much longer than the other joints; the palpi are very long, and the legs are usually fitted for swimming.

Fig. 245.



The larvæ of a few species are predaceous, but the greater number of them feed upon decomposing matter; they are provided with six legs. The Triangular Water-beetle (Fig. 245)* belongs to this Family.

* The larva (*a*) and pupa (*c*) are not those of the beetle figured at *b*; *e* is an egg case; *d* the same cut open; *f*, an antenna; *g*, anterior foot of female; *h*, same of a male; *i*, side view of the spine on the breast.

TRIBE II. Land Scavenger-Beetles—These insects are terrestrial in their habits, and feed upon decaying or dead animals, upon funguses, etc., and a few kinds are found beneath the bark of dead trees. They may be divided into two Sub-tribes, as follows·

Fig. 246.

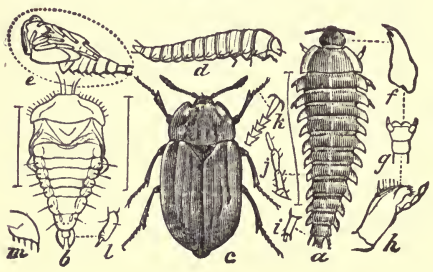
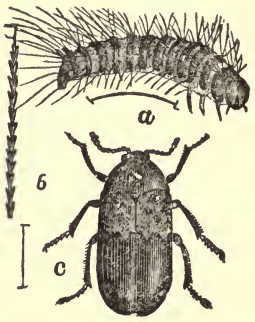


Fig. 247



Sub-tribe I.—In these insects the body is rather broad, and the antennæ are clavate or capitate, with three or more divisions in the club. The principal Families are as follows :

Burying-Beetles *(Silphidæ).*—These insects are mostly of a large size, usually over half an inch in length; the hind trochanters are large; and the thorax has a thin margin.

These Beetles feed upon dead animals, which, if not too large, they usually bury in the earth, to serve as food for their young. The latter are flattened and provided with six legs. The Black Burying-beetle (Fig. 246)* belongs to this Family.

Museum-Beetles *(Dernestidæ).*—These insects are less than half an inch long; the abdomen is covered by the wing-cases, and the breast is prolonged beneath the head.

They feed upon dead animal matter (including insects), but several kinds are now and then very destructive to carpets.

The larvæ are generally hairy and provided with six legs. The Rawhide-beetle (Fig. 247) belongs to this Family. (It is sometimes called the Bacon-beetle, from its habit of feeding on bacon, ham, etc.)

* Fig. 246. — *a*, the larva; *f*, its upper jaw; *g*, its lower lip; *h*, its lower jaw; *j*, its tenna; *k*, anterior foot of the beetle.

Sub-tribe II.—In this division the body is more or less elongated; the antennæ are filiform or loosely clavate, having sometimes less than three pieces in the club.

The insects belonging to this Sub-tribe are mostly predaceous. The principal Families are as follows:

Trogosita-Beetles (*Trogositidæ*).—These insects have all the feet five-jointed, but the first joint is sometimes very small, so that it cannot be seen from above; the colors are black or dull red; the club of the antenna consists of three joints, which are not conspicuously differing in size; the last joint of each foot is very long.

These insects are usually found under the bark of trees, or in granaries, where they prey upon other insects. The larvæ are six-legged.

Cucujus-Beetles (*Cucujidæ*).—These insects have the feet apparently four-jointed; the body is much flattened; the antennæ are usually moniliform, and the jaws generally project in a conspicuous manner in front of the head; the color is brown or red.

Fig. 248.



They are frequently found under the bark of trees, but some kinds inhabit the granary, where they feed upon the grain, bran, etc. The larvæ are provided with six legs. The Bran-beetle (Fig. 248) belongs to this Family.

Sub-class III. (*Monilicornes.*)

These insects mostly belong to the Rove-beetle Family (*Staphylinidæ*); the wing-cases never cover more than one half of the abdomen (Fig. 249), which latter is long and slightly flattened, and composed of eight segments; the jaws usually cross each other when at rest.

Fig. 249.



These Beetles commonly turn up their long, flexible abdomens when running, and they make use of this doubling to fold up their wings beneath the wing-cases.

The greater number feed upon decaying animal and vegetable matter, but some are predaceous; others live in the nests of ants; while one species has been bred from the pupa of a Cabbage-maggot.

The larvæ (Fig. 172) are provided with six legs.

Sub-class IV. (*Pecticornes.*)

This Sub-class includes the single Family of Stag-beetles (*Lucanidæ*), in which the antennæ are usually elbowed (*geniculate*); the joints of the club are immovable, and the jaws of the males are greatly developed.

These insects are generally of a large size, seldom measuring less than half an inch in length; they feed upon the sap exuding from trees.

The larvæ live in decaying wood; their bodies are commonly curved when at rest, and are provided with from four to six legs.

Sub-class V. (*Lamellicornes.*)*

In these insects the joints in the club of the antennæ are immovable. This Sub-class includes two Tribes of widely differing habits; they are as follows:

TRIBE I.—These insects usually have the abdomen entirely covered by the wing-cases; the hind legs are attached behind the middle of the abdomen.

These Beetles live in excremental, or in decomposing animal matter. They are commonly called "Tumble-bugs," and comprise the families *Copridæ*, *Aphodidæ*, *Geotrupidæ*, and *Trogidæ*.

TRIBE II.—In this Tribe the tip of the abdomen is never covered by the wing-cases, and the hind pair of legs are placed at or before the middle of the abdomen.

These Beetles feed upon fruits or the leaves of plants, and their larvæ live in the ground and usually feed upon the roots of plants. The three principal Families are as follows:

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* The insects belonging to this Sub-class are sometimes included in one Family,—the *Scarabæidæ*.

JUNE-BEETLES *(Melolonthidæ).*—In these insects the thorax is unarmed; the upper lip is usually visible in front of the clypeus; the latter is separated from the front by a transverse suture; the two claws at the end of each foot are forked; the color is usually brown, sometimes striped with white.

Fig. 251.

Fig. 250.



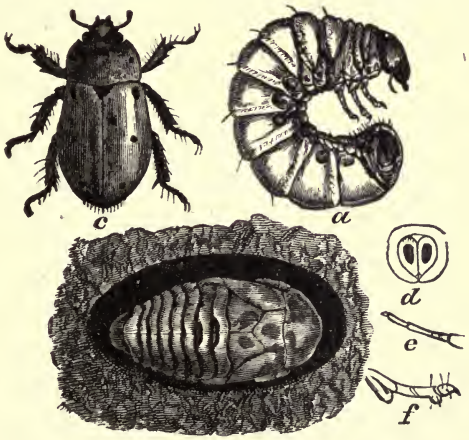


Fig. 252.



This Family includes the destructive White-grub *(Lachnosterna quercina,* Fig. 139, 2*)* and many other insects which, in the larva state, feed upon the roots of plants, while the adults feed upon the leaves.

Fig. 253.



The larvæ have the body curved, and furnished with six legs. The Rose-chafer (Fig. 250), the Ten-lined Leaf-eater (Fig. 251, female; Fig. 252, male), belong to this Family.

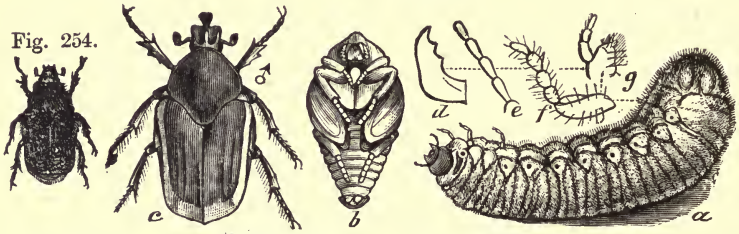
Grape-vine Beetles (*Rutelidæ*).—These insects closely resemble those of the preceding Family, but the claws at the end of each foot are of an unequal length; all of the claws are not forked, and the colors are brown or blackish.

These insects are occasionally very destructive to the leaves of various trees, and especially to those of the grape-vine. The larvæ are similar to those of the preceding Family, and usually live in decayed wood. The Spotted Pelidnota (Fig. 253) belongs to this Family.

Cétonians (*Cetonidæ*).—These insects usually have the wing-cases flattened above, and slightly narrower at the tip than at the base; the two claws at the end of each foot are of equal length, and are not forked; the clypeus is not separated from the front by a transverse suture.

Fig. 225.

Fig. 254.



Many of these insects are diurnal in their habits, and do not raise the wing-cases when flying; they feed upon the fruit or leaves of plants, and a few species live, when in the larval stage (Fig. 255, *a*), in decayed wood. The Indian Cetonia (Fig. 254), and the Green Fruit-beetle (Fig. 225) belong to this Family.

Sub-Class VI. *(Serricornes.)*

The insects which belong to this Sub-class are divided into three Tribes, as follows:

TRIBE I. Saw-horned Borers. In these Beetles the head is inserted into the thorax, up to the eyes; the wing cases are of a hard, firm texture; the antennæ are sometime filiform and the breast is prolonged behind into a point, which is received in a cavity in the next segment. These insects comprise two Families, as follows:

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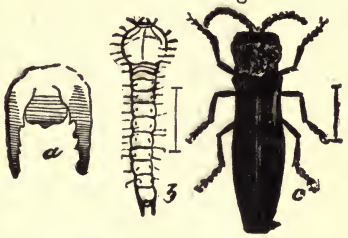
Buprestis-Beetles *(Buprestidæ)*.—In these insects the point at the hind part of the breast is immovable; the antennæ are finely serrate, and the colors are usually metallic.

The larvæ generally have the fore part of the body greatly dilated and flattened (Fig. 54), and the body is nearly or wholly destitute of legs; they live in the stems, roots, or trunks of plants, shrubs or trees, and are sometimes very destructive.

Fig. 256.



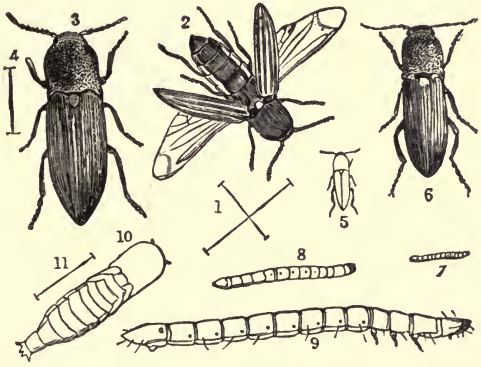
Fig. 257.



One of their number, the Flat-headed Apple-tree Borer (Fig. 138), is very destructive to various kinds of fruit-trees. The Cherry-tree Borer (Fig. 256) and the Raspberry Borer (Fig. 257), belong to this Family.

Spring-Beetles *(Elateridæ)*.—In these insects the point at the hind end of the breast is movable; the antennæ are sometimes filiform, and the colors are usually brown or black.

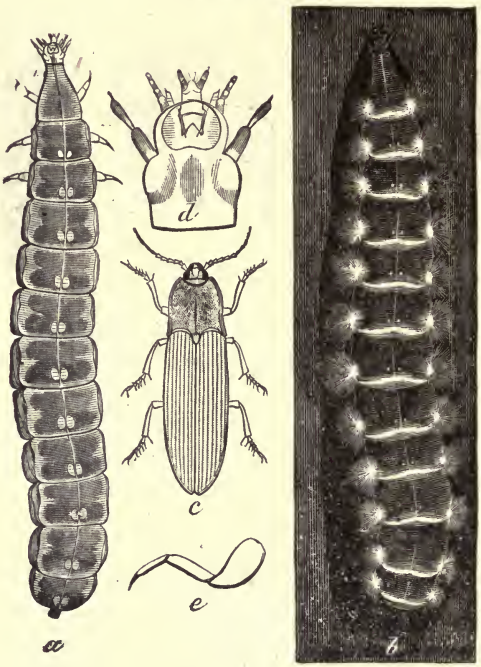
Fig. 258.



They are at once distinguished from all other insects by the power they possess of suddenly springing into the air when placed upon their backs upon any hard, smooth surface.

The larvæ live in decayed wood or in the ground, and are provided with six or seven legs, and are commonly known as "Wire-worms" (Fig. 258, 7, 8, and 9); some kinds feed upon the roots of various plants, but a few species are partially predaceous. The Skip-jack Beetles (Fig. 258, 2, 3, and 6) and the Black Melanactus Fig. 259);* belong to this Family.

Fig. 259



TRIBE II. Aberrant Wood-Beetles.—These insects usually have the head bent down and partially or wholly concealed beneath the thorax, which is frequently prolonged in front; in some the body is elongated, the head is free and exposed, and the first segment is very long.

These insects live in wood, both in decayed wood and in that which is solid, and a few species feed upon dead animals, and are injurious to cabinets of Natural History. The following is the principal Family.

* The larvæ figured at *a* and *b* are supposed to belong to this species, and show after night-fall, as Glow-worms, a beautiful green light.

Branch-Borers *(Ptinidæ)*.—These insects have the fore-part of the thorax produced like a hood, partially or wholly concealing the head when viewed from above; the first segment of the abdomen is very long; there are sometimes only four joints in the feet, and the color is usually black or brown.

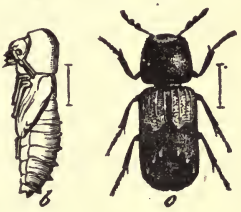
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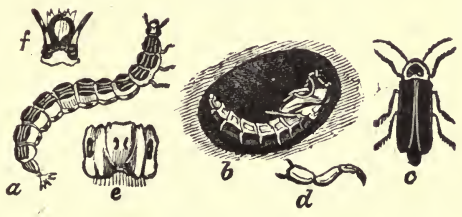
Fig. 262.



The larvæ have the body curved, and furnished with six legs. The Branch and Twig Burrower (Fig. 260), the Branch-borer (Fig. 261), and the Red-shouldered Grape-vine Borer (Fig. 262), belong to this Family.

TRIBE III. Soft-winged Beetles—These insects usually have soft bodies and thin flexible wing-cases; the antennæ are generally serrate; the terminal joint of the palpi is widened and somewhat triangular; the thorax is usually surrounded by a thin margin; and the fourth joint of each foot is bilobed.

Fig. 263.



These insects are predaceous, both in the larvæ and in the perfect state; the larvæ usually have the body nearly straight and provided with six legs. The following is the principal Family.

Lightning-Beetles (*Lampyridæ*, also called "Fire-flies").—In these Beetles the body is rather soft, and the thorax has a

thin margin which sometimes projects over the head; the abdomen has seven or eight segments ; the color is commonly black or brown, and some kinds have the thorax margined with red or yellow. Many of these Beetles are luminous, both as larvæ and as perfect insects. The Common Fire-fly (Fig. 263) belongs to this Family.

Class II. *HETEROMERA.*

The insects belonging to this Section have uniformly only four joints in the posterior feet; upon the whole they are not very injurious. They may be divided into three Tribes, as follows:

TRIBE I Parasitic Beetles.—In these insects the head is as wide as the thorax, and attached to it by a visible neck; the body is rather soft, the wing-cases flexible and the anterior coxæ are contiguous. The two principal Families are as follows:

Blister-Beetles (*Meloidæ*).—These insects have the thorax rounded at the sides; the abdomen is not distinctly pointed behind; and the claws at the end of each foot are forked.

The larvæ are usually provided with six legs, and live in the nests of Bees, or in the egg-masses of such Grasshoppers or Locusts as deposit their eggs in the ground; the perfect insects feed upon the leaves or flowers of plants.

The insects belonging to the genus *Meloe* are destitute of hind wings.

Several species belonging to the genera *Lytta*, *Cantharis*, *Epicauta*, etc., posess a blistering (*vesicating*) property, and to this group belongs the common Spanish-fly. The Striped Blister-beetle (Fig. 19) and the Ash-colored Blister-beetle (Fig. 86), belong to this Family.

Fig. 264.



Notoxus-Beetles (*Anthicidæ*).—These are small insects, a little over two lines long, with filiform antennæ; the claws are not forked; the thorax is sometimes prolonged in the form of a horn (Fig. 264), which projects over the head; the neck is usually slender,

and the head can be moved to either side from under the extension of the thorax. These beetles have been known to feed on flowers, and have been found eating into peaches, apricots, etc.

TRIBE II. Bark-Beetles.—In these insects the fore coxæ nearly or fully touch each other; the head is narrower than the thorax, and the antennæ are usually quite long and slender. The larvæ live in decayed wood. The two principal Families are the *Cistelidæ* and the *Melandryidæ*.

TRIBE III. Darkling-Beetles.—In these insects the anterior coxæ do not touch each other; there are five joints in the abdomen; the antennæ are usually moniliform; the color is generally black or brown.

Fig. 265.

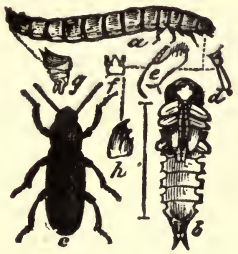


Fig. 266.



The larvæ are more or less cylindrical, and provided with six legs; they closely resemble the larvæ of the Spring-beetles, commonly called "Wire-Worms." The greater number live in decayed wood, but some kinds, such as the Meal-worm (Fig. 265, *a*) are found in granaries, flour mills, etc.

They all are included in the Family of Darkling-beetles *(Tenebrionidæ)*. The Large Darkling Grape-beetle (Fig. 119), the Meal-Worm-beetle (Fig. 265, *c*), and the small Darkling Grape-beetle (Fig. 266), belong to this Family.

Class III. *TETRAMERA.*

In this Class the joints of the feet are usually dilated and brush-like, and the joint next to the last is generally bilobed;

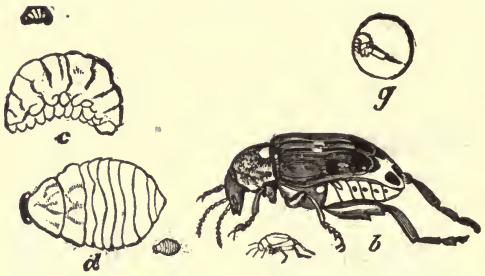
there is occasionally, in some small species, a rudimentary joint between the third and fourth joints.

This Class contains a greater number of injurious insects than all the other Classes combined. It is divided into four Tribes, as follows:

TRIBE I.—These insects have the head more or less prolonged into a snout; the antennæ are usually capitate, sometimes clavate or serrate, and frequently elbowed.

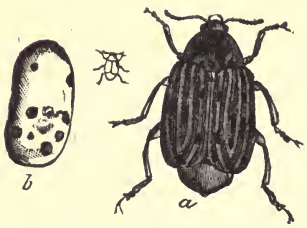
The two principal Families are as follows:

Fig. 267.



BRUCHUS-WEEVILS *(Bruchidæ).*—In these insects the snout is short and thick, the antennæ are serrate and not elbowed, and the eyes are notched.

Fig. 268.



These insects are of small size; the wing-cases do not cover the tip of the abdomen.

The larvæ are footless and usually live in seeds. To this Family belong the well-known Pea-weevil (Fig. 267), and the Bean-weevil (Fig. 268).

SNOUT-BEETLES *(Curculionidæ).*—These Beetles are destitute of an upper lip and of palpi; the antennæ are clavate and usually elbowed; the snout generally projects downward and is sometimes very long and slender.

The larvæ are footless and are provided with a distinct head; they live in fruits, nuts, seeds, etc.; in fact there is

scarcely a single part of the plant that is not sometimes infested by them.

Fig. 269.



Fig. 270.



In depositing her egg, the female first gnaws a hole with her jaws, which are placed at the tip of her snout, then deposits

Fig. 271.

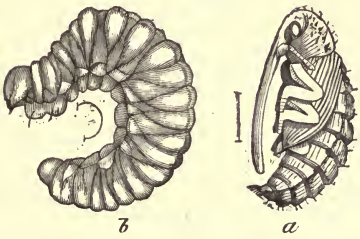
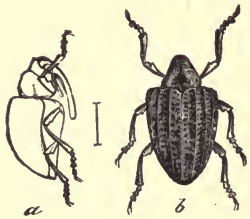


Fig. 272.



her egg at the entrance of this hole, after which she turns around and, with her snout, pushes the egg to the bottom of the hole. The Plum-Curculio (Fig. 268), the Apple-Curculio

Fig. 273.



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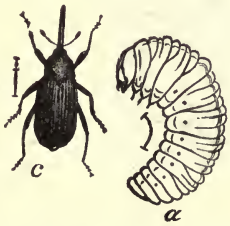
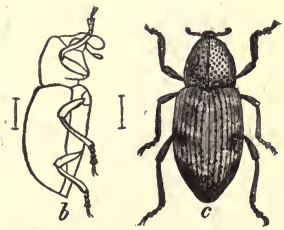


Fig. 275.



(Figs. 270 and 271), the Quince-Curculio (Fig. 272), the Plum-Gouger (Fig. 273), the Potato-stalk Weevil (Fig.

274), and the Strawberry Crown-borer (Fig. 275), belong to this Family.

TRIBE II. Short-horned Borers.—In these the head is not prolonged into a snout; the body is usually short and cylindrical; the antennæ are clavate or capitate, and but little longer than the head; the joints of the feet are not dilated.

These insects are of small size, and usually of a black or brown color. The larvæ bore winding galleries in the solid wood and are frequently very destructive, especially to forest-trees. The insects belong to the Family of Short-horned

Fig. 276.



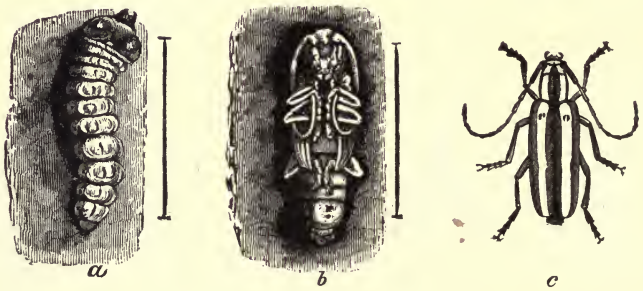
Fig. 277.



Borers (*Scolytidæ*). The Pear-tree Scolytus (Fig. 276) and the Chestnut-bud Beetle) Fig. 277), belong to this Family.

TRIBE III. Long-horned Borers.—In these insects the body is elongated and the antennæ are long and tapering, usually longer than the thorax, and frequently as long as the entire body; the males commonly have longer antennæ than the females. The sides of the thorax are generally furnished with spines or teeth.

Fig. 278.



a *b* *c*

A few of these Beetles have very short wing-cases, like the Rove-beetles, but the wings are not folded up and concealed beneath the wing-cases, as they are in the latter insects.

The larvæ (Fig. 278, *a*) are footless, or nearly so, and live in the stems or branches of various plants, shrubs, or trees, while a few live in decayed wood.

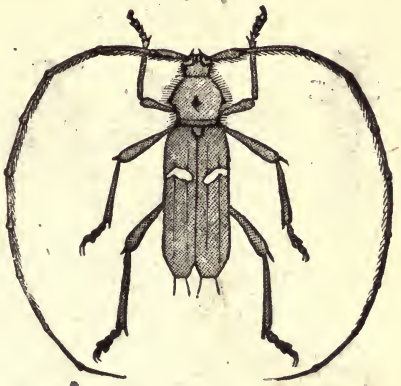
Fig. 279.



Fig. 280.



Fig. 281



The insects belong to the Family of Long-horned Borers (*Cerambycidæ*), and are among the most destructive of insects. Hidden as they are from the eyes of man, they carry on their silent work of destruction unnoticed, until the withering of the plant apprises us of the presence of these depredators.

Fig. 282.



The Round-headed Apple-tree Borer (Fig- 278, *c*), the Hickory-borer (Fig. 281), the American Currant-borer (Fig. 280), and the Locust-tree Borer (Fig. 279), are examples of this Family.

TRIBE IV. Plant-Beetles.—These are mostly small Beetles, seldom exceeding half an inch in length; the antennæ are either filiform or slightly clavate.

Fig. 283



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Fig. 286.

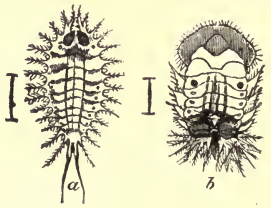


They are usually diurnal in their habits. The larvæ live upon or within the leaves or roots of plants; they are provided with six legs, and the body is generally short and convex.

Fig. 287.



Fig. 288.



These insects are all destructive to vegetation; they belong to the Family of Plant-Beetles (*Chrysomelidæ*). The Colorado Potato-beetle (Fig. 282), the Steel-blue Flea-beetle (Fig. 283), the Imported Grape Flea-beetle (Fig. 284), the Cucumber and Potato Flea-beetles (Fig. 285), the Striped Cucumber-beetle

(Fig. 286), the Twelve-spotted Diabrotica (Fig. 238), and the Tortoise-beetles (Figs. 287 and 288), belong to this Family.

Class IV. *TRIMERA.*

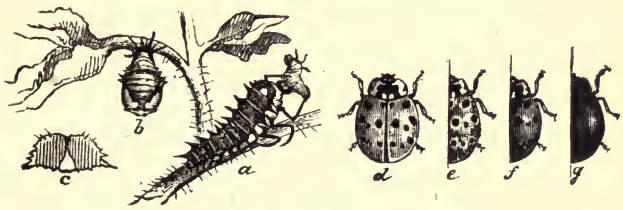
These insects are usually of a small size and more or less hemispherical in form; the last joint of the palpi is broadly hatchet-shaped; the joints of the feet are dilated and cushion-like beneath, and the second joint is deeply bilobed.

Fig. 289



The insects belong to the Lady-bird Family *(Coccinellidæ)*, and their colors are usually red or black, never, or very seldom, marked with stripes. They all prey upon Plant-lice, scale-insects, small caterpil-ars, etc., although in a very few instances they have been known to attack fruit (as the California Lady-bird, Fig. 289); but this habit is very exceptional.

Fig. 290.



The larvæ are furnished with six legs; and when about to turn to pupæ they attach themselves to some object by the hind part of the body. The Fifteen-spotted Lady-bird (Fig. 290) is a good representative of this Family.

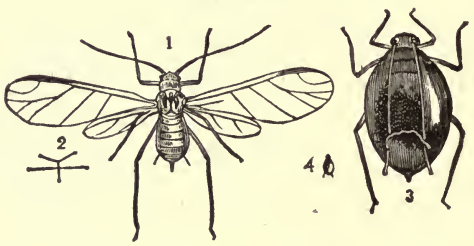
CHAPTER XVI.

FAMILIES OF HEMIPTERA. (*True Bugs.*)

SUB-ORDER I. HOMOPTERA. (*Similar-winged Bugs.*)

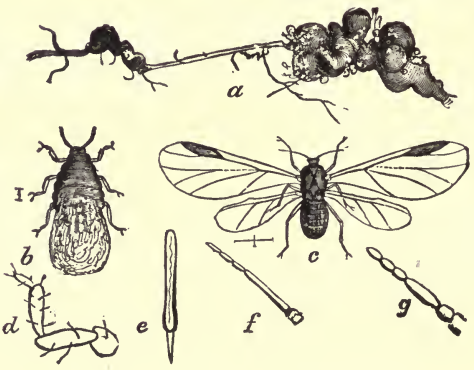
PLANT-LICE (*Aphidæ*).—These insects are usually provided with four transparent wings, but many of them are wingless; the feet are two-jointed; the antennæ are from three to seven-jointed, and are never terminated by two bristles; the abdo-

Fig. 291.



men is frequently provided with two tubercles, or long tubes, near the posterior end, and the beak appears to arise from the breast. These insects are usually of a small size; they

Fig. 292.



subsist on the juices of plants, and are found upon the roots, stems, and leaves; a few species form galls. They are generally gregarious in their habits, and the early broods of many

species are viviparous, while the last broods of the season are oviparous.

From their honey-tubes they occasionally eject a sweet fluid, of which the ants and flies are very fond. The Cabbage-Aphis (Fig. 23), the Grain-Aphis (Fig. 291), and the Woolly-Aphis (Fig. 292), belong to this Family.

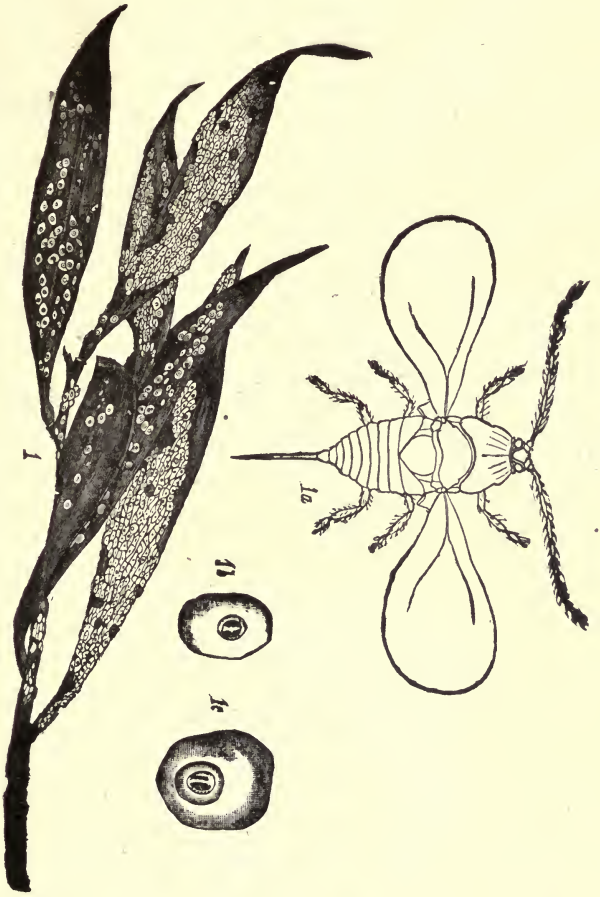


Fig. 293.

Mealy-winged Bugs *(Aleurodidæ)*.—These insects have four opaque wings, which are covered with a mealy powder; the feet are two-jointed, and the beak apparently arises from the

breast; the antennæ are six-jointed. These insects are of small size, and feed upon the juices of plants.

Fig. 294.



Fig. 295.



Scale-Insects (*Coccidæ*).—In these insects, which are also called "Bark-lice," the females (Fig. 293, 1*c*,) are wingless, while the males (Fig. 293, 1*a*,) are each provided with two more or less transparent wings; the feet are one-jointed and terminate in a single claw. Some species are oviparous, while others are viviparous. The Lemon-peel Scale (Fig. 293), the Black-Scale (Fig. 294), and the Cottony Cushion-Scale (Fig. 295), belong to this Family. [For additional examples see Chapter XX, on Scale Insects.]

Jumping Plant-Lice (*Psyllidæ*).—The insects belonging to this Family are of small size, and have four transparent wings; the feet are two-jointed; the antennæ are nine or ten-jointed, the last joint terminating in two short bristles; the beak

Fig. 296.

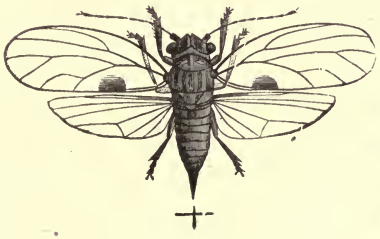
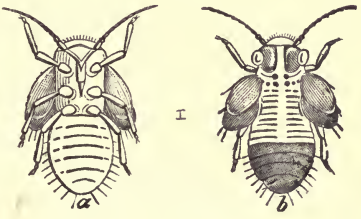


Fig. 297.



apparently arises from the breast. These insects possess the power of jumping; they subsist on the juices of plants, and a few species live in galls. The Pear-tree Psylla (Fig. 296, *adult*; 297, *pupæ*) belongs to this Family.

Leaf-hoppers (*Cercopidæ*).—These insects are provided with four wings, the first pair of which are thick and leathery; the feet are three-jointed; the ocelli are two in number or are entirely wanting; the antennæ are two-jointed. In a few species the thorax arises in the form of a hump or a horn, or like a high crest; in others it is produced on each side in the form of a small horn (as in the Buffalo Tree-hopper, Fig. 155). These insects

Fig. 298.



subsist on the juices of plants, and a few kinds envelop themselves in a mass of froth called "frog-spittle." The California Grape-vine Hopper (Fig. 298) belongs to this Family.

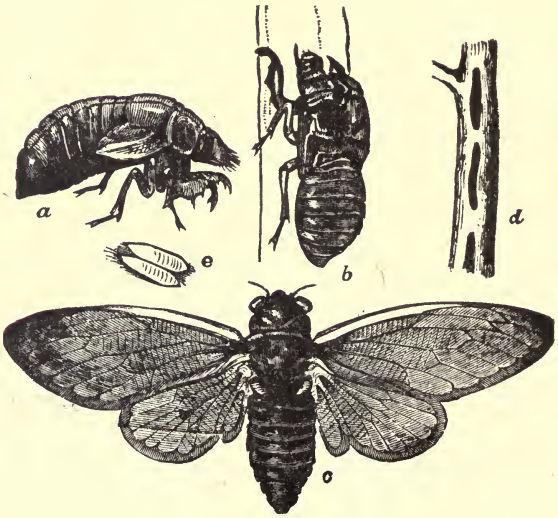
LANTERN-FLIES (*Fulgoridæ*).— These insects are provided with four wings, the first pair of which are usually opaque; the feet and antennæ are three-jointed, and the head is sometimes furnished with a high, thin ridge; the two ocelli are placed beneath the eyes. The Frosted Leaf-hopper (Fig. 299) belongs to this Family.

Fig. 299.



HARVEST-FLIES (*Cicadidæ*). — These insects, improperly termed "Locusts," are provided with four large transparent wings; the feet are three-jointed; the antennæ small, and six or seven-jointed, and on the top of the head are three ocelli. These insects are of a large size; they deposit their eggs in slits made in the twigs of trees (Fig. 300, *d*), and the young,

Fig. 300.



when hatched, drop to the ground, which they enter, and where they are supposed to feed upon the roots of plants. One species, the Seventeen-year Locust (Fig. 300), requires seventeen years to complete its growth.

CHAPTER XVII.

Order V. HEMIPTERA. (*True Bugs.*)

Sub-order II. Heteroptera. (*Dissimilar-winged Bugs.*)

Water-Boatmen (*Notonectidæ*).—These insects have convex bodies and are provided with four wings; the hind legs are very long and fringed; the antennæ are minute and concealed in cavities; the feet are two or three-jointed; the ocelli are wanting, and the head is nearly as wide as the body.

These insects live in the water and are predaceous in their habits; they seldom exceed six lines in length.

Water-Scorpions (*Nepidæ*).—These insects have very flat bodies and are furnished with four wings; the anterior legs are fitted for grasping, and are placed well forward; the antennæ are minute and are concealed in cavities; the feet are one or two-jointed, and the ocelli are wanting.

These insects are aquatic, and feed upon other insects; they are usually quite large.

Galgula-Bugs (*Galgulidæ*).—In this Family the body is broad and flat and provided with four wings; the antennæ are minute and concealed in cavities; the eyes are placed at the outer end of a stem or pedicel; the ocelli are present; the feet are one or two-jointed, and the anterior thighs are enlarged.

These insects live in damp situations and are supposed to feed upon other insects; they are ordinarily smaller (although of nearly the same form) than the representation in Fig. 304.

Water-Measurers (*Hydrometridæ*).—These insects have a long slender body, and are usually provided with four wings, but in a few species these organs are wanting; the antennæ are quite long and slender; the ocelli are sometimes wanting; the feet are two or three-jointed, and the four posterior legs are generally very long and slender.

The insects are aquatic, and the adults may frequently be seen running over the surface of the water; they feed upon other insects and are usually less than six lines long.

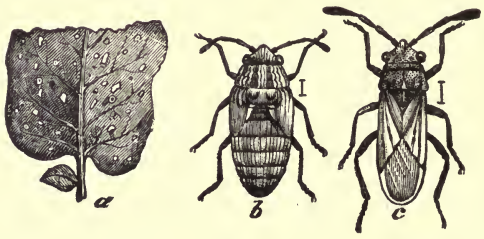
PIRATE-BUGS *(Reduvidæ)*.—In this Family the body is usually elongated and provided with four wings, but in a few species these are either rudimentary or entirely wanting; the antennæ are of moderate size; the ocelli are present; the feet are three-jointed; and the beak when folded back is not received in a channel.

A few species are aquatic, but the greater number are terrestrial and feed upon other insects. The Banded Robber (Fig. 154) belong to this Family.

CHINCH-BUGS *(Lygæidæ)*.—These insects are provided with four wings; the antennæ are conspicuous and four-joined, the terminal joint being as thick as the preceding one; the ocelli are sometimes absent.

These insects are terrestrial and usually subsist on the juices of plants, but a few species are said to be predaceous. The Chinch-bug (Fig. 85) is occasionally very destructive to wheat and corn; it is of a black color, with white wings which

Fig. 301.



are marked with a black spot on the outer edge of each. The False Chinch-bug (Fig. 301) also belongs to this Family.

SQUASH-BUGS *(Coreidæ)*.—These insects are furnished with four wings; the antennæ are conspicuous and four-jointed, the terminal joint being as thick or thicker than the preceding one; the ocelli are present.

Fig. 302.



These insects are terrestrial and usually subsist on the juices of plants, but a few species are said to be partially predaceous. The Squash-bug (Fig. 163) is sometimes very destructive to squash and pumpkin vines; it is

blackish-brown above and dirty-yellowish beneath, and measures about seven lines in length. The Three-striped Plant-bug (Fig. 302) also belongs to this Family.

PLANT-BUGS (*Capsidæ*).—These insects are terrestrial and are provided with four wings; the ocelli are absent; the antennæ are four-jointed, with the terminal joint thinner than the preceding one.

Fig. 304.



The insects mostly subsist on the juices of plants, but a few species are predaceous. The Border Plant-Bug (Fig. 303) belongs to this Family.

SOLDIER-BUGS (*Scutelleridæ*).—These insects usually have a broad and flattened body, and are furnished with four wings; the scutellum extends to or beyond the middle of the abdomen; the antennæ are conspicuous and are from three to five-jointed.

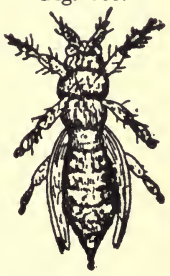
Fig. 304.



The greater number of these insects subsist on the juices of plants, but a few species feed upon other insects. The Spined Soldier-bug (Fig. 114) and the Negro-bug (Fig. 304) belong to this Family.

THRIPS (*Thripidæ*).—These insects are of a small size, and are provided with four narrow wings, which are fringed; the mouth is furnished with jaws; the ocelli are present; and the antennæ are from five to nine-jointed.

Fig. 305.



Some of these insects are vegetable feeders, while others are said to prey upon other insects. The Common Thrips (Fig. 161, *adult*; Fig. 305, *pupa*), belongs to this Family.

BED-BUG (*Membranaceidæ*).—In this Family the body is quite broad, and is sometimes provided with four wings, but these organs are frequently wanting; the beak is received in

a channel, when not in use; the ocelli are usually wanting, the antennæ are generally four-jointed, with the terminal joint thicker than the preceding one; the feet are three-jointed.

Some of these insects subsist on the juices of plants; others are predaceous; while a few, like the Bed-bug, are parasitic.

The Tingis (Figs. 306 and 307, enlarged) belongs to this Family; it feeds upon the juices of plants.

Fig. 306.



Fig. 309.



Lice (*Pediculidæ*).—These insects are of a small size and are destitute of wings; the antennæ are filiform and five-jointed; the feet are two-jointed, with a large terminal hook; and the mouth parts are retractile.

These insects, so far as at present determined, all live parasitical upon man.

Bird-Lice (*Mallophagidæ*).—These insects are of small size and are destitute of wings; the mouth is furnished with jaws; the antennæ are from three to five-jointed; the feet are two-jointed, and usually terminate in one or two claws.

These insects live parasitical upon birds and other animals.

CHAPTER XVIII.

FAMILIES OF ORTHOPTERA. *(Grasshoppers, Crickets, etc.)*

This Order is usually divided into four Classes, as follows:

I. RUNNERS (*Cursoria*).—In this Class the body is not greatly elongated, and the legs are fitted for running.

II. GRASPERS (*Raptoria*).—The insects which belong to this Class have the anterior legs very robust, and fitted for seizing and retaining their prey, which consists of other insects.

III. WALKERS (*Ambulatoria*).—These insects have long cylindrical bodies, which are destitute of wings;* the legs are very long and slender, and the insects are decidedly sluggish in their habits.

IV. JUMPERS (*Saltatoria*).—These insects have the posterior thighs very robust; they usually move by short jumps or leaps; the greater number are provided with four wings, but a few species are destitute of these organs.

I. RUNNERS (*Cursoria*).

This Class contains two Families, as follows:

EARWIGS (*Forficularidæ*).—These insects have a more or less cylindrical body, which is furnished at the tip with a forceps-like appendage; the wing-cases are very short and meet each other in a straight line on the back; the hind wings, when not in use, are folded both lengthwise and crosswise, and are concealed beneath the wing-cases.

These insects (Fig. 41) feed upon various kinds of fruits and flowers; they deposit their eggs beneath stones, etc., and in a few species the female broods over them like a hen, until they are hatched.

COCKROACHES (*Blattidæ*).—The insects which belong to this Family have a flattened body, which is destitute of the anal forceps that characterize the insects belonging to the preceding

*Winged species occur, however, in some tropical countries.

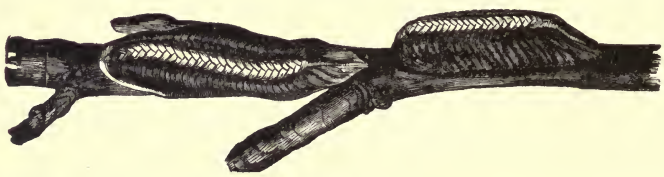
Family. In some species both sexes are wingless in the adult state; in others the males are provided with wings, while the females have these organs greatly aborted; in still others, both sexes are furnished with wings.

These insects are nocturnal in their habits, and are occasionally very troublesome about the kitchen, etc. The female deposits her eggs in a large elongated brown capsule or pod, each capsule containing about thirty eggs, arranged in two rows.

II. Graspers (*Raptoria*).

This Class is composed of the Mantis-Family (*Mantidæ*, Fig. 142); they are the only insects belonging to this Order which are beneficial. They deposit their eggs in masses of a hundred or more (Fig. 308); fastening them to the twigs of trees or to other objects.

Fig. 308.



III. Walkers (*Ambulatoria*).

This Class includes the single Family of Walking-sticks (*Phasmidæ*). The insects feed upon the leaves of plants, and sometimes occur in destructive numbers. The females scatter their eggs indiscriminately upon the ground beneath them.

IV. Jumpers (*Saltatoria*).

This Class comprises three Families, as folllow:

Crickets (*Gryllidæ*).—These insects have a more or less cylindrical body, and the anterior or upper wings are bent downward abruptly at the sides, although in a few species the wings are entirely wanting.

The Mole-crickets have the anterior pair of legs very robust and flattened at the outer end; they are provided with wings,

and live in burrows in moist ground. The eggs are laid in large holes excavated in their burrows.

The Tree-crickets (Fig. 309) are of a pale greenish color; they are very slightly built, and are found upon various kinds of plants. The females deposit their eggs in slits made in some tender plant by means of their awl-like ovipositors. The males produce a shrilling noise by elevating their anterior wings and rubbing the edges together.

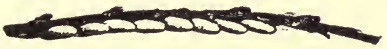
Fig. 309.



The Field-crickets are mostly of a brownish color, and many of them are entirely destitute of wings; they deposit their eggs in crevices in the earth.

Katydids or Green Grasshoppers (*Locustidæ*).—These insects (Fig. 141) are usually of a green color; their legs and antennæ are very long and slender, and the females are furnished with a sword-shaped ovipositor. The eggs are deposited in one or more rows upon the leaves or twigs of trees or plants (Fig. 310). The males make a shrilling noise by means of a glassy instrument, situated at the base of the anterior wings.

Fig. 310.



Locusts or Brown Grasshoppers (*Acrididæ*). — These insects have shorter and stouter legs and antennæ than those belonging to the two preceding Families. They are mostly of a brownish color, and deposit their eggs in masses in holes excavated in the earth (Fig. 39), or in logs; these holes are dug by aid of the horny plates which are situated at the tip of the abdomen.

The males of a few species make a creaking noise by rubbing their hind legs against the edges of the wing-covers; others produce a rattling sound, when on the wing, by rubbing the upper surface of the wings against the wing-cases.

These insects may be further divided into two Sub-families, as follows:

Grouse-Locusts (*Tittiginæ*).—This group contains insects of a small size, in which the upper part of the thorax is prolonged backward nearly to the tip of the abdomen, and sometimes beyond it.

True Locusts (*Acridinæ*).—In this group the upper part of the thorax extends but little, or not at all, upon the base of the abdomen (Fig. 89). This group contains the more prominently injurious species, such as those which migrate in swarms in immense numbers.

CHAPTER XIX.

Families of NEUROPTERA. (*Dragon-Flies, May-Flies, etc.*)

White Ants (*Termitidæ*).—These insects are provided with four wings of equal size; the antennæ are conspicuous, and the feet are four-jointed; transformations incomplete. The common White Ant is of a yellowish-white color, and is occasionally injurious to growing trees by gnawing the bark near the roots, but is more often met with in decayed wood.

Fungus-Flies (*Psocidæ*).—These insects are usually provided with four wings (Fig. 144), of which the hind pair is the smallest; in some, however, all the wings are rudimentary, in others, entirely wanting; the feet are from two to three-jointed; the antennæ are conspicuous; transformations incomplete. These insects usually feed upon dry vegetable substance, especially upon lichens, and a few kinds are injurious to collections of Natural History.

Perla-Flies (*Perlidæ*).—These insects have four wings of equal size, else the hind wings are the broadest; all the wings are sometimes rudimentary; the antennæ are very long, and the feet are three-jointed; in many species there are two long bristles at the posterior end of the abdomen; transformations incomplete. The larvæ of the greater number of these insects are aquatic.

May-Flies (*Ephemeridæ*).—The insects belonging to this

Family usually have four wings, but the posterior pair are sometimes wanting; the mouth-parts are obsolete; the antennæ are short and three-jointed, and the abdomen is generally furnished at the tip with two or three slender bristles; the feet have from four to five joints; transformations incomplete. After issuing from the pupa the insect is usually enveloped in a thin film, when it is termed the *sub-imago;* it soon casts off this filmy covering and appears as the perfect insect or *imago.* The larvæ are aquatic, and feed upon other insects, etc.; they are supposed to remain from two to three years in the larva state, although the adults live but a few hours. These flies quite closely resemble the Ichneumon-flies (Fig. 131), but their antennæ are much shorter, and their bodies weaker.

Dragon-Flies (*Libellulidæ;* also called *Odonata*).—These insects are provided with four wings of nearly equal size (Fig. 143); the antennæ are inconspicuous, and from four to seven-jointed; the feet are three-jointed, and the abdomen is destitute of anal bristles; transformations incomplete. The larvæ are aquatic and feed upon other insects; they have a peculiar syringe-like apparatus beneath the posterior part of the body by which they are enabled to draw in a small quantity of water and then, forcibly, to eject it backwards, thus driving themselves forward at a rapid rate.

These insects are divided into two groups, viz.:

Agrioninæ, in which the head is very broad; the eyes are wide apart, and the wings, when at rest, are raised over the back.

Libellulinæ, in which the head is nearly globular; the eyes usually touch each other, and the wings are expanded when at rest (Fig. 143).

Sialis-Flies (*Sialidæ*).—These insects are provided with four wings of nearly equal size; the antennæ are conspicuous, and the feet are four or five-jointed; transformations complete. The larvæ are predaceous; some are aquatic, while others live upon trees, etc. In some species the pupa is capable of moving about, although enveloped in a thin covering or skin.

Lace-winged Flies (*Hemerobidæ*).—The insects belonging to this Family have four wings of nearly equal size; the antennæ are long, and the feet are five-jointed; transformations complete. The larvæ are usually terrestrial. This Family contains many beneficial insects; prominent among which are the Lace-winged (Fig. 21) and the Golden-eyed Flies, the larvæ of which (Fig. 47) feed upon Plant-lice; when fully grown each of these larvæ spins a globular cocoon, inside of which it assumes the pupa form; when the perfect insect is nearly ready to emerge, the pupa issues from the cocoon and fastens itself to a neighboring object by its feet; in a short time the skin on its back is rent, and the perfect insect makes its escape. Another member of this Family is the Ant-lion, the larvæ of which excavate funnel-shaped holes in the earth in which to entrap their prey, which consists principally of ants.

Scorpion-Flies (*Panorpidæ*).—These insects are usually provided with four wings of equal size, but in a few species the wings are rudimentary or wanting; the antennæ are conspicuous, and the feet are five-jointed; transformations complete; the mouth-parts are produced somewhat in the form of a beak. The larvæ are generally terrestrial, and are probably predaceous.

Caddis-Flies (*Phryganidæ*).—These insects have four wings, in which the transverse veins are not numerous; the antennæ are quite long, and the feet are five-jointed; the mouth-parts are not distinct; transformations complete. The larvæ are usually aquatic, living in silken tubes, to which they frequently attach small shells, pieces of wood, and other small objects. They feed upon vegetable matter, and sometimes devour small insects.

CHAPTER XX.

SCALE-INSECTS.

The Scale-insects, Scale-bugs, Bark-lice, Mealy-bugs, etc., comprise a group of insects belonging to the Sub-order *Homoptera*, and to the Family *Coccidæ*.

In many respects this is a very anomalous group of insects, differing greatly even from closely allied forms, in appearance, habits, and metamorphosis. Not only do the members of this Family appear very different from other insects belonging to the same Sub-order, but there is a wonderful variety of forms within the Family; and even the two sexes of the same species, in the adult state, differ as much in appearance as insects belonging to different Orders.

The more striking characteristics in which these insects agree, and by which they may be distinguished from other insects belonging to the same Sub-order, are the following: The females never possess wings; the males are winged in the adult state, but possess only one pair of wings, the second pair being represented by a pair of small club-like organs called "halteres," each of which is usually furnished with a bristle. The scale of the female is usually broader than that of the male in the scale-bearing species. This Family is divided into three Sub-families, as follows:

Sub-family I. *(Diaspinæ)*.—These insects are enclosed or covered by a scale composed in part of the moulted skins (*exuviæ*) and partly of an excretion of the insect; this scale does not adhere to any part of the insect's body, but merely forms a covering or protection for the latter.

Sub-family II. (*Lecaninæ*).—These insects are usually not enclosed in a scale, but the skin hardens as the insect approaches maturity. In the earlier part of their lives these insects are capable of crawling about, but when near maturity they generally become immovably fixed to the bark, etc., upon which they rest.

SUB-FAMILY III. (*Coccinæ*).—These insects generally retain the power of locomotion from the time they are hatched until they die; some species, however, are destitute of legs, and are enclosed in a felt-like sac.

SUB-FAMILY I. (*Diaspinæ.*)

The following table will serve as a guide in ascertaining the *genus* to which any species of this Sub-family belongs:

A.—Scale of female circular, with the exuviæ either central or near the margin.

B.—Scale of male but little elongated, with the exuviæ more or less central; scale usually resembling that of the female in color and texture, - - - ASPIDIOTUS.

BB.—Scale of male elongated, with the exuviæ at one extremity.

C.—Scale of male, white and carinated, - DIASPIS.

CC.—Scale of male not white, and with no central carina, - - - - - - - PARLATORIA.

AA.—Scale of female elongated, with the exuviæ at one extremity.

D.—Exuviæ small.

E.—Scale of male, white and carinated, - CHIONASPIS.

EE.—Scale of male similar in form to that of the female, MYTILASPIS.

DD.—Exuviæ large.

F.—Scale of female with two moulted skins visible, PARLATORIA.

FF.—Scale of female with second moulted skin covered by a secretion - - - - UHLERIA.

Genus ASPIDIOTUS (Bouche).

This genus includes species in which the scale of the female is circular, or nearly so, with the exuviæ at or near the center; the scale of the male is somewhat elongated, with the larval skin either at one side of the center, or near one extremity; in color and texture it resembles the scale of the female. The

last segment of the female insect usually presents four groups of spinnerets; in a few species there are five or six groups, and in some they are wanting. Examples—The Red-scale (Fig. 159), the Lemon-peel scale (Fig. 293) and the Red-scale of Florida (Fig. 311).

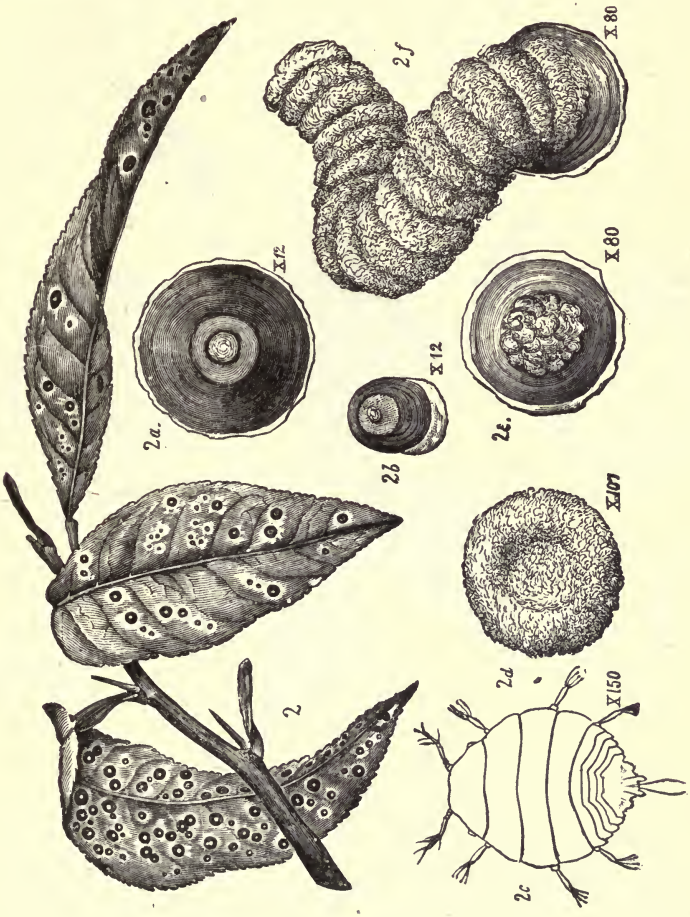


Fig. 311.

Genus Diaspsis (Costa).

This genus includes species in which the scale of the female is more or less rounded, with the exuviæ at the center or upon the sides; the scale of the male is long, white, carinated, and

has the exuviæ at one extremity. The last segment of the female shows five groups of spinnerets.

This genus closely resembles *Aspidiotus* regarding the form of the scale of the female, but is easily distinguished from that genus by the scale of the male, which is white and carinated. Example—The Rose-scale (Fig. 312).

Fig. 312.



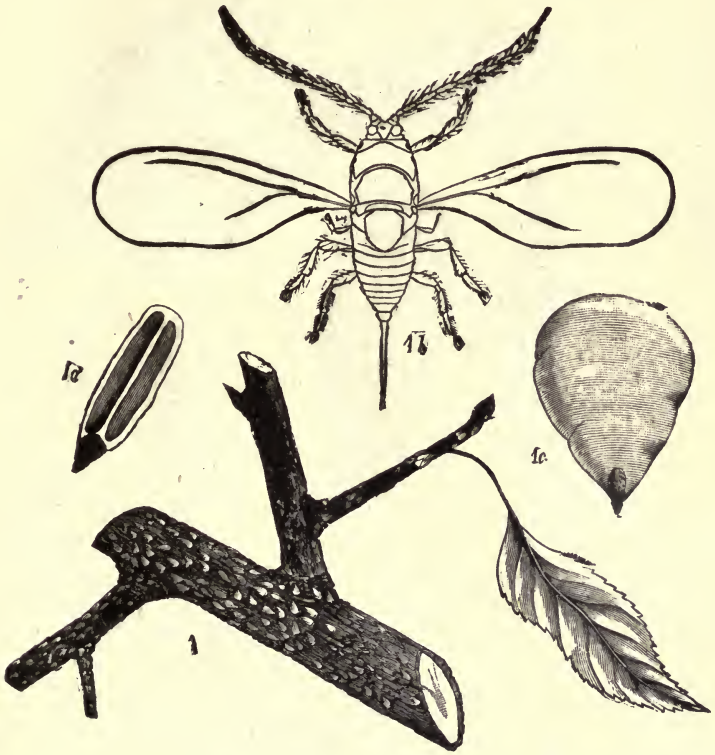
Genus CHIONASPIS (Signoret).

This genus includes species in which the scale of the female is long, sometimes much widened, and in which the exuviæ are small and at one extremity; the scale of the male is long, generally white, more or less carinated, (except in *C, ortholobis*); the sides are parallel and the larval skin is at the anterior end. The last segment of the female has five groups of spinnerets.

This genus resembles *Diaspis* in the form of the scale of the

male, and *Mytilaspis* in the form of the scale of the female; in most species, however, the scale of the female is wider than in *Mytilaspis*. Example—The Scurfy or Harris'-scale (Fig. 313).

Fig. 313.

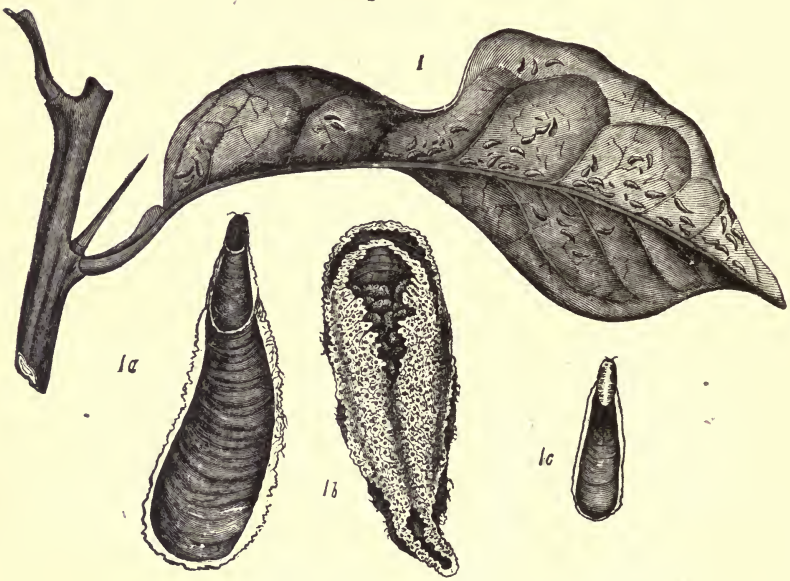


Genus MYTILASPIS (Targioni—Tozzetti).

This genus includes species in which the scale of the female is long, narrow, more or less curved, and where the exuviæ are at the anterior extremity. The scale of the male resembles that of the female in form, but it can be readily distinguished from it by its small size, and by its bearing but one larval skin. In all the species of *Mytilaspis* which I have studied, the posterior part (about one-fourth) of the scale of the male is jointed to the remainder by a thinner portion, which serves

as a hinge, allowing the posterior part to be lifted when the male emerges. Example—The Citrus- scale (Fig. 314).

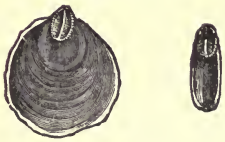
Fig. 314.



Genus PARLATORIA (Targioni—Tozzetti).

The scale of the female is either circular or elongated, with the exuviæ large and at the anterior end. The scale of the male is enlongated, its sides nearly parallel, and the exuviæ at the anterior end; there is no carina on the middle of the back—this part being seldom higher than the sides.

Fig. 315.



The margin of the last segment of the female is crenulated and fringed witn toothed scale-like plates; there are only four groups of spinnerets. Example—Pergande's Orange-scale (Fig. 315).

Genus UHLERIA (Comstock).

This genus included species in which, upon the scale of the female, only one larval skin is visible at the anterior extremity;

the second skin is present, but it is entirely covered by secretion. This skin is large, covering the insect completely.

Fig. 316



The scale is narrow at its anterior end; it then widens, and its sides are parallel thoughout the greater part of its length. The three anterior groups of spinnerets are united, forming a continuous line. The scale of the male is similar to that of the female, but smaller. The genus is small and unimportant, and was formerly known as *Fiorinia*. Example—The Camellia-scale (Fig. 316).

Fig. 317.



Fig. 318.



Sub-family II. *(Lecaninæ).*

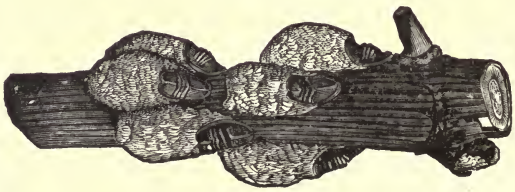
Genus Ceroplastes.

The several species belonging to this genus are furnished with a thick covering of waxy material, which does not, however, adhere closely to the insect. This covering is formed of layers secreted by the spinnerets. Some of the species have tuberosities upon the back, which are larger or smaller according to the age of the insect, and which entirely disappear at full growth, when it becomes smooth and globular. The antennæ are six-jointed, the third joint being the longest. In the larva state the fourth and fifth appear as one. The legs, are long; the claw is furnished with four digitules, of which the two shortest are very large and horned-shaped. The male of this genus is not known. Examples—The Florida-scale (Fig. 317) and the Barnacle-scale (Fig. 318).

Genus Pulvinaria (Targioni).

This genus is not well defined. It was established for those species of Lecaninæ, in which the females, after fecundation, secrete below and at the posterior end of the body, a mass of cottony material which forms a nidus for the eggs. Example —The Cottony Maple-scale (Fig. 319).

Fig. 319.



Genus Lecanium.

This genus includes those species which are naked and, at first, boat-shaped, taking on, however, after impregnation, very diverse forms, ranging from nearly flat to globular. Examples —The Black-scale (Fig. 294), the Filbert-scale (Fig. 320), and the Soft Orange-scale (Fig. 321).

Sub-family III. (*Coccinæ.*)

Genus Kermes (Targioni—Tozzetti).

These insects have the body perfectly globular, else with a slight incision for insertion on the twig or branch. On an external examination no trace of antennæ, legs, or even of

Fig. 320.



Fig. 321.



mouth-parts are to be observed, the insect presenting precisely the appearance of a gall. Chiefly found on oak-trees (Fig. 322).

Genus Rhizococcus (Comstock).

Antennæ of larva and of the adult female, seven-jointed; ano-genital ring with eight hairs; tarsi of both male and female, each with four digitules; margin of body, of young and of female in all stages, fringed with tubular spinnerets,

which are covered with a waxy excretion. Adult male with a single ocellus behind each eye, and a pair of bristles on each side of the penultimate abdominal segment, each pair supporting a long white filament, excreted by numerous pores at the base. The fully developed female makes a dense sac of

Fig. 322.



waxy matter, within which the eggs are laid, and the shriveled body of the insect remains. The full-grown male larva makes a similar sac, within which it undergoes its metamorphosis Example—the Norfolk Island Pine-scale.

Genus DACTYLOPIUS.

The antennæ of the female are six-jointed in the larva and

eight-jointed in the adult; the male larva has seven-jointed antennæ; the tarsi are furnished with four digitules, and the anal ring with six hairs. Examples—The Mealy-bug with long threads (Fig. 323), and the Destructive Meal-bug (Fig. 324).

Fig. 323.

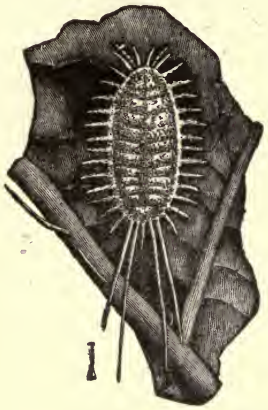
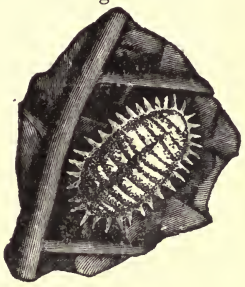


Fig. 324



Genus PSEUDOCOCCUS (Westwood).

This genus closely resembles *Dactylopius*, nearly all characteristics being identical. In the adult female, however, the antennæ are nine-jointed, those of the female larva six-jointed, and the antennæ of the male larva have seven joints. The tarsi are not provided with the long digitules, except in *Pseudococcus hederæ*.

Genus COCCUS.

The species of this genus may be distinguished from *Dactylopius* and *Pseudococcus* by the following characters:

The antennæ are seven-jointed in the adult female, six-jointed in the female larva, and five-jointed in the male larva. The legs are very slender; the anal ring are destitute of hairs; the eyes are smooth, and there are two ocelli. Example—The Cochineal Insect.

Genus ICERYA (Signoret).

Antennæ eleven-jointed; body covered with a cottony matter of several shades of color, and with a secretion of still longer filaments; skin with rounded spinnerets and with long, scattered hairs; antennæ of nearly same width throughout their whole length, and with a long pubescence; the digitules of the claws are elongated and buttoned, those of the tarsi appear as simple hairs; genital apparatus terminating in a tube internally, with a reticulated ring, and without hairs at its extremity. Antennæ of the larva six-jointed, with a very long pubescence, and with four hairs upon the last joint much longer than the others; lateral lobes of the extremity of the abdomen with a series of three very long, frequently interlaced bristles. Example—The Cottony Cushion-scale (Figs. 295 and 325).

Fig. 325.



CHAPTER XXI.

BENEFICIAL INSECTS.

The greater number of insects feed upon the various parts of plants and are therefore termed "injurious;" others feed upon decaying animal or vegetable matter and are called "scavengers;" still others feed upon insects, especially upon those which are injurious to plants, and, because of thus aiding us in getting rid of these pests, are termed "beneficial insects." Some of this latter kind seize their prey with their jaws, somewhat in the manner of a cat's catching a mouse, and are hence called "predaceous." To this class belong the Tiger-beetles, which may frequently be seen running over the ground during the hottest part of the day. The one most often met with is the Common Tiger-beetle (Fig. 240), which is of a dull purplish color above, and a bright brassy-green color underneath; on each wing-case are three irregular whitish spots. Another species which quite closely resembles the foregoing is the Gen-

erous Tiger-beetle (Fig. 241), which is of a dull purplish color, marked with white, as in the figure. The Virginian Tiger-beetle (Fig. 242) is of a dull brownish color. All of the Tiger-beetles have filiform antennæ, and their feet are five-jointed. The larvæ of the Tiger-beetles are provided with six legs, and live in holes in the earth. They feed upon Cut-worms and similar insects.

The Ground-beetles also prey upon Cut-worms and other insects, and, like the Tiger-beetles; have filiform antennæ and five-jointed feet; but unlike them, they have horizontal instead of vertical heads. The Gold-spotted Ground-beetle (Fig. 243) is of a brownish color, and has on each wing-case three rows of sunken gold-colored spots.

Another group of predaceous insects are the Lady-birds, which have only three joints in their feet. These insects feed upon plant-lice, scale-insects, small caterpillars, etc.; the larvæ (Figs. 328, *a*, and 332, *a*) are provided with six legs, and when fully grown suspend themselves by the hind part of the body; the skin on the back next splits open, and the pupa (Fig. 328, *b*) by alternately elongating and shortening its body, works the old skin backward until it covers only the posterior part of the pupa, where it is permitted to remain; in due time the skin on the back of the pupa is rent and the perfect beetle (Fig. 328, *c*) is coming forth.

Fig. 326.



Fig. 327



Fig. 328.



Fig. 329.



One of their largest kind is the fifteen-spotted Lady-bird (Fig. 290); it varies in color from a dirty brown to cream; its wing-cases are usually marked with fifteen black dots, but both color and markings are changeable, as seen in the figure (Fig. 290, *d*, *e*, *f*, and *g*). The wing-cases of the Thirteen-spotted Lady-bird (Fig. 326) are of a reddish-brown color, and are

marked with thirteen black dots. The wing-cases of the Ten-spotted Lady-bird (Fig. 327) are of a pinkish color, and are marked with ten black dots. The Convergent Lady-bird (Fig. 328, *c*) has the wing-cases yellowish-brown and marked with twelve black dots. The Nine-spotted Lady-bird (Fig. 329) has the wing-cases of a yellowish-brown color, marked with nine black dots. The Icy Lady-bird (Fig. 330) has the wing-cases of an orange-yellow color, marked with from four to six black dots. The Trim Lady-bird (Fig. 239) has the wing-cases of an orange-yellow or orange-red color; they are unmarked. The California Lady-bird (Fig. 289) differs from the Trim Lady-bird by having a white spot on each of the front corners of the thorax—the Trim Lady-bird having the thorax margined, in front and at the sides, with yellow. The Twice-stabbed Lady-bird (Fig. 331) is entirely black, with the exeption of a deep red spot on each wing-case. The Painted Lady-bird (Fig. 332, *c*) is of a pale yellow color, with a black stripe on each wing-case, the two stripes being connected by two black bands.

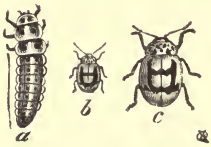
Fig. 330.



Fig. 331.



Fig. 332.



The Mantis (Fig. 142) also feeds upon other insects; the female deposits her eggs in large masses (Fig. 308), and the young closely resemble the parents, with the exception of their being destitute of wings; they are not quiescent in the pupa state, but continue active throughout their life.

The Soldier-bugs (Figs. 114 and 154) feed upon caterpillars and other insects by impaling them upon their beaks and then leisurely extracting their juices. These bugs do not pass through a quiet pupa state, but continue active from the time they issue from the eggs until they die. They do not confine their attacks to insects, but occasionally feed also upon the juices of plants.

The larvæ of the Lace-winged Flies (Fig. 47) feed upon plant-lice and similar insects. After reaching their full growth each one spins, in some sheltered place, a globular cocoon, and is soon after changing to a pupa; in due time the pupa comes out of the cocoon and fastens itself to some neighboring object, when the skin on its back next splits open and the perfect fly (Fig. 21) makes its escape. The female fly deposits her eggs upon the tips of slender, thread-like stems (Fig. 21).

The larva of the Syrphus-fly (Fig. 231, *a*) also feeds upon Plant-lice and similar insects. It is entirely destitute of legs, and after reaching its full growth attaches itself to the stem of a plant, or some other object, and soon contracts to a pupa (Fig. 231, *b*), from which the perfect fly (Fig. 231, *c*), in due time, makes its escape. When changing to a pupa the narrow tapering end of the larva becomes the thickened end of the pupa.

Many kinds of Wasps, such as the Russet-red Wasp (Fig. 183, *a*), provision their nests with caterpillars, flies, or other insects, to serve as food for their young. Some kinds build nests of mud (Fig. 181); others of a papery substance (Fig. 183, *b*); still others build their nests in holes in the ground, in decayed wood, or in the stems of plants. The larvæ or young of these Wasps are entirely destitute of legs.

There is a group of insects which, in the larva state, live within the eggs, or within the larvæ or pupæ of other insects, ultimately destroying the latter; such are commonly called "parasitic" insects. The Ichneumon-flies (Figs. 39, 40, 131, and 134) belong to this class. The female deposits her eggs in the larvæ or pupæ of other insects in which her progeny are to live; from these eggs are hatched small footless grubs, which feed upon the internal parts of the larva or pupa in which the eggs, from which they were produced, had been deposited by the provident mother. After reaching their full growth some kinds assume the pupa form within the larva or pupa in which they live, and the flies, when issuing from the pupa, gnaw holes through the skin of the larva or pupa, and thus make their escape. The larvæ of several kinds, however,

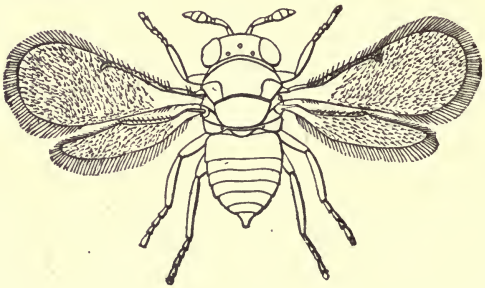
first gnaw their way out of the larva or pupa in which they live, and then each one spins a cocoon around its body; sometimes they spin a mass of flossy silk, and then crawl into this and there spin their cocoons. Occasionally only one parasitic larva lives in a larva or pupa, but sometimes several dozen

Fig. 333.



inhabit one and the same pupa or larva. When the egg was deposited in the body of a larva, the larva sometimes passes to the pupa stage before the parasitic Ichneumon-fly issues.

Fig. 334.



The Chalcis-flies form another group of insects which live parasitical in the egg, the larvæ, or the pupæ of other insects; they are very small, and their wings are provided with but few veins (Figs. 333 and 334). They live principally in the eggs of other insects, and many kinds infest various kinds of Scale-insects and Plant-lice.

Another class of parasitic insects are the Tachina-flies (Fig. 236). These flies attach their white eggs to the bodies of caterpillars, etc., and the larvæ which hatch from these eggs gnaw

their way into the body of their victim; here they remain until reaching their full growth, when they gnaw their way out and drop to the ground, which they enter and form smooth cells; they do not cast their skins before changing to pupæ, but their skins contract and harden, thus supplying the place of a cocoon. At the proper time the perfect fly (Fig. 236) issues, and makes its way to the surface of the earth. This fly very closely resembles the common House-fly, but may at once be distinguished by this, that the slender bristle on the last joint of the antennæ is naked, whereas in the House-fly this bristle is pectinate, like a feather.

CHAPTER XXII.

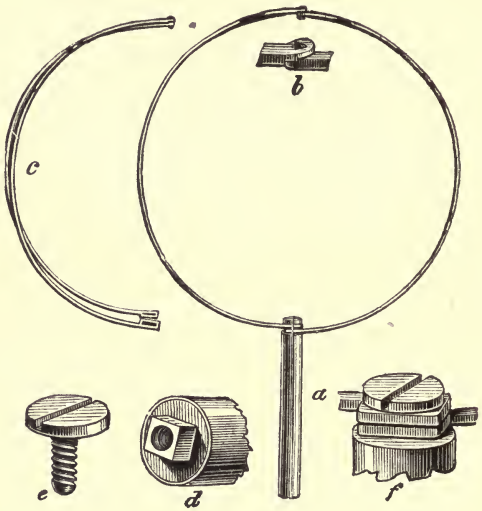
HOW TO COLLECT AND PRESERVE INSECTS.

A cabinet of some kind is almost indispensable to the student of Entomology; in it he should place as many different species of insects as he is able gradually to obtain, both by collecting and by exchanging duplicate specimens with friends.

One of the chief requisites for successful collecting is a net. The accompanying figure (Fig. 335) illustrates the frame work of a very convenient net, such as used by Professor Riley, and its construction is thus described by him: "Take two pieces of stout brass wire, each about twenty inches long; bend them half circularly and join at one end by a folding hinge having a check (*b*) on one side. The other ends are bent and beaten into two square sockets (*f*) which fit to a nut sunk and soldered into one end of a brass tube (*d*). When so fitted they are secured by a large-headed screw (*e*) threaded to fit into the nut-socket, and with a groove wide enough to receive the back of a common knife blade. The wire hoop is easily detached and folded, as at *c*, for convenient carriage; and the handle may be made of any desired length by cutting a stick and fitting it into the hollow tube (*a*), which should be about six inches long."

A bag of fine gauze or mosquito netting (the finer and stronger the better) should be sewed to a piece of cloth fastened around the wire frame.

Fig. 335.



Another similar but less convenient frame (Fig. 336) is thus described by Professor Sanborn: "Make a loop of strong iron or brass wire, of about three sixteenths of an inch in thickness, so that the diameter of the loop or circle will not exceed twelve inches, leaving an inch or an inch and a half of wire at each end bent at nearly right angles. Bind the two extremities to-gether with smaller wire (*a*), and tin them by applying a drop of muriate of zinc, then hold this part in the fire or over a gas flame until nearly red hot, when a few grains of block tin or soft solder placed upon these extremities will flow evenly over their whole surface and join them firmly together. Take a Maynard rifle cartridge tube, or any other brass tube of similar dimensions (*b*); if the former, file off the closed end, or perforate it for the admission of the wire, and, having tinned it in the same manner on the inside, push a

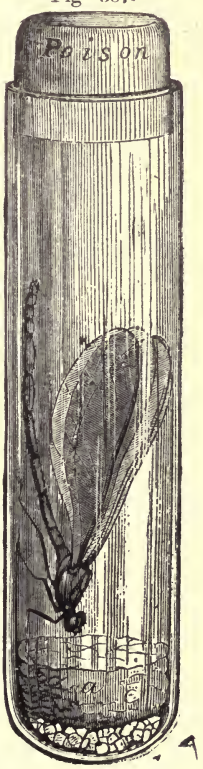
Fig. 336.



tight fitting cork half way through (*c*) and pour into it melted tin or soft solder and insert the wires; if carefully done you will have a firmly constructed and very durable foundation for a collecting net. The cork (*c*) being extracted, will leave a convenient socket for inserting a stick or walking cane to serve as a handle."

By attaching a gauze bag to this frame a very handy net will be obtained.

Fig 337.



For the capture of the night-flying moths, many collectors pactice what is commonly known as "sugaring." This consists of applying to the trunks of trees, or to strips of cloth attached to the tree, some sweet, attractive but stupefying preparation, such as diluted molasses, or brown sugar, with rum. This is spread upon the tree, etc., in the evening, and by examining these places with a lantern at intervals throughout the night, many moths which could not otherwise be obtained, may be collected.

Having captured an insect intended for the cabinet, the next step is to kill it in such a manner as not to injure its form or clothing. For the killing of most insects the cyanide bottle (Fig. 337) will be all that is needed. This is prepared by putting into a large-mouthed bottle some *cyanide of potassium* (pulverized) in quantity equal, perhaps, to a small marble, which will depend, however, upon the size of the bottle; pour into the bottle just enough water to dissolve the cyanide, and when this is dissolved drop plaster of Paris into the solution until all of the latter is absorbed; now place the bottle in the hot sun, or subject it to artificial heat, until thoroughly dry inside, after which wipe out the inside with a dry rag or piece of paper; now cork the bottle tightly, and in a day or two it will be ready for use. When an insect is thrown into a bottle

prepared in this way, and the bottle corked up tightly, the fumes of the cyanide will destroy the insect's life in a very short time. Great care should be exercised in using the cyanide, as it is a deadly poison when taken internally, although no serious effect has ever been known to follow the inhaling from the cyanide bottle prepared as directed above, notwithstanding its fatal effects upon insect life.

Those insects which are too large to be placed into the cyanide bottle may be killed by the use of chloroform. For this purpose a small and stout bottle, with a brush inserted in the cork (Fig. 338), will be found very serviceable. By moistening the abdomen of the insect with this liquid its life will soon be destroyed.

Fig. 338.

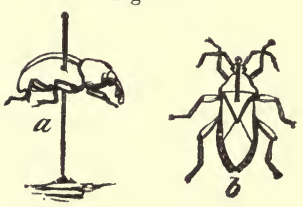


Regarding the killing of very small and delicate insects, these should be caught in wooden boxes, where, when applying the chloroform to the outside of the box, they will speedily become stupefied.

Butterflies, moths, and similar insects should not be carried in the cyanide bottle after they are dead, since, by rolling around in the bottle, they become more or less denuded of their scales, or otherwise disfigured; as soon as dead they should be taken out of the bottle and pinned into a cork-lined box made for this purpose.

In pinning beetles, the pin should be thrust through the right wing-case (Fig. 339, *a*) so as to come out between the insertion of the middle and the hind pair of leg; bugs should be pinned through the scutellum (Fig. 339, *b*); all other insects should be pinned through the thorax.

Fig. 339.



In pinning insects for the cabinet, entomological pins, made ex-

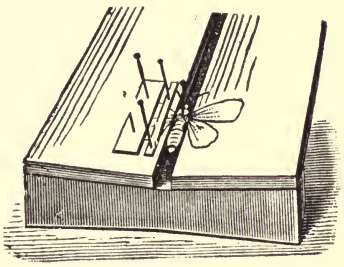
pressly for this purpose, should be used; these are made of different sizes ranging from 1 to 10, the lowest numbers being the finest. The No. 2 pins will ordinarily answer most purposes. About one third of the length of the pin should be allowed to project above the insect's back.

Small insects, one-fourth of an inch in length and under, should be gummed to pieces of card-board or to thin plates of mica, through which the pin is afterwards thrust. These pieces are sometimes cut square, but the better way is to cut one edge into small, wedge-shape teeth, as in Fig. 340.

Fig. 340.



Fig. 341.



For gumming insects upon card-board, etc., Spaulding's liquid glue may be used; or in its stead the following preparation is even to be preferred:

Pulverized gum tragacanth, three drams; pulverized gum arabic, one dram; corrosive sublimate, one grain; mix and add a little water.

In order to spread out the wings of butterflies, etc., a setting-board, of some sort should be used; one that is simple in its construction and answers every purpose is shown in Fig. 314. It is made of two pieces of soft pine boards (the softer the better) about half an inch thick, one and a half inches wide, and of any convenient length; these should be fastened to upright blocks about one and one half inches high at each end, and tapering to one and one sixth inches high at the middle. In fastening the two upper pieces to these, leave a space between the upper pieces wide enough to admit the

insect's body; a strip of cork or pith is then glued over this space on the under side, and the setting-board is completed.

For the stretching-out of the wings, and for many other purposes, a needle stuck into a wooden handle (Fig. 342) will be found useful. It is made by splitting off a piece of pine wood three or four inches long, and forcing into one end of it the eye-end of a common sewing needle; next, whittling down the handle to a convenient size and shape (Fig. 342), the instrument is completed.

Fig. 342.



In order to retain the wings of the insects on the setting-board in their proper position strips of card-board should be pinned over them (Fig. 341), using common, short, sharp-pointed pins for this purpose.

The setting-board may then be suspended upon the wall, or it may be placed in a box covered with fine wire gauze or strainer cloth, which will admit plenty of air, while at the same time preventing small insects from gaining access to the specimens. The latter should remain upon the setting-board for at least a month, when they are ready for the cabinet.

Cases in which to exhibit insects may be made in the form of a shallow box having a tightly fitting lid, in the back of which is fastened a pane of clear glass; they may be of any convenient size, and about two and half inches deep, inside measurement. The bottom should be lined with thin strips of cork or dry pith, into which to thrust the pins; if pith is used it should first be boiled, to extract the saccharine matter.

If the collection is to be a very extensive one, the cases to contain it may be constructed in the form of two shallow boxes facing each other, and fastened together, on one side with hinges, and on the other with hooks and staples; they will then open and shut like a book, and when not in use may be packed away in any convenient place. The boxes should be made of thoroughly seasoned white wood, walnut, or cherry. Care should be taken to have the cases or boxes perfectly

tight, so as to prevent small insects, mites, etc., from gaining access to and spoiling the collection. The cork or pith in the bottom of the boxes should be covered with white paper, which, if lightly cross-ruled, will greatly facilitate the regular pinning of the specimens.

For relaxing dried insects, place them for twelve or twenty-four hours in a tin box containing a quantity of moistened sand over which first a single layer of paper is spread; their wings, etc., can then be easily spread out.

Caterpillars, grubs, pupæ, and similar objects may be preserved in alcohol. They should first be thrown into alcohol diluted with water, and afterwards be removed to vessels containing alcohol of full strength.

Nothing is more annoying to the experienced, or more discouraging to the young collector, than to have his specimens destroyed by mites, or by the larvæ of certain beetles; against the ravages of these pests there is no security. Paste and paper fail to exclude them; camphor is only a partial protector; and the only safeguard is constant vigilance, and the instant destruction of the offenders when observed.

For this purpose many methods have been suggested, such as saturation with turpentine, immersion in alcohol or benzine, exposure in an oven to a heat of 210°, etc., but most of these means are liable to injure or even destroy the specimens.

A very good method, however, is to place a galipot or small saucer, containing about twenty-five grains of cyanide of potassium, roughly bruised, with a very little water, in the bottom of the cabinet; drop about six drops of sulphuric acid upon the potassium and close up the cabinet. The gas thus generated will destroy the life of any larva, or other insect or animal, that may be in the cabinet at the time, as no animate being can inhale this gas and live. Great care should, therefore, be taken to prevent the inhalation of this gas by the person employing it.



GLOSSARY

Abbrē′viated.—Shortened.
Abôr′tive.—Imperfectly developed.
Abdō′men.—The posterior devision of the body.
Abnôr′mal.—Unnatural; exceptional.
Acū′leate.—Prickly.
Acū′minate.—Ending in a prolonged point.
Adĕph′agous.—Ravenous; predaceous.
Adŭlt′.—Full-grown.
Agăm′ic.—Bringing forth living young, or depositing fertile eggs without the intervention of the male.
Alimĕ′nt′ary canal.—The duct by which food is conveyed through the body.
Ā′lula.—A small appendage to the hind edge of the base of the wing in the Two-winged Flies.
Ā′nal.—Pertaining to the opening at the lower end of the alimentary canal.
Ăn′gulated.—Formed with corners.
Anăl′ogous.—Closely similar.
Ăn′nulated.—Furnishedwith colored wings.
Anŏm′alous.—Irregular.
Antĕn′næ.—The two horn-like appendages to the head (Figs. 89 and 103).
Antē′rior.—In front.
Ā′pex.—The terminal point; the tip.
Ăp′ical.—At, or belong to, a tip.
Ăp′odous.—Destitute of feet.
Appĕnd′age.—Something added to without being essentially necessary.
Approx′imate.—Near, or near together.
Ăp′terous.—Destitute of wings.

Aquăt'ic.—Inhabiting water.
Ariś'ta.—A style, or bristle.
Ariś'tate.—Furnished with a bristle.
Artic'ulate.—Divided into joints.
Asĕx'ual.—Same as Agmatic.
Attĕn'uated.—Tapering.
Aurē'lia.—Ancient name for pupa.
Băl'ancers.—Rudimentary filaments representing the (lacking) posterior pair of wings in the *Diptera*.
Bāse.—The part opposite the apex.
Bi.—Two or twice (used only in compound words.)
Bī'fid.—Cleft.
Bifūr'cate.—Two-forked.
Bilō'bate.— or Bī'lobed. Divided into two lobes.
Bipĕc'tinate.—Having two edges toothed like a comb.
Bristled antĕn'na.—Fig. 343.

Fig. 343.



Căp'itate.—Ending in a head or knob (Figs. 95 and 96).
Carī'na.—A ridge.
Cau'da.—A tail.
Cĕll.—A term applied to the inclosures made by the veins and cross-veins in the wings (Fig. 125). As these cells differ in number and form in the different insects, they have received different names. In many kinds of Two-winged Flies (such as the Syrphus-fly, Fig. 231, *c*), the cell next the fore edge of the wing is the *costal* cell; the three back of this, nearest the body, are the first, second, and third *basal* cells, and the cell next to the hind edge of the wing is the *anal* cell; toward the outer edge of the wing, from the first basal cell, is the first *posterior* cell, while the three cells back of this, along the margin of the wing, are the second, third, and fourth posterior cells; the closed cell between the second basal and the third posterior cell is the *discal* cell (this may be easily be known by it

position, always being at the lower end of the small cross-vein between the first basal and the first posterior cells); the two cells between the costal and first posterior cells are the *marginal* and *sub-marginal* cells.

Chrȳs′alids.—Plural of chrysalid (another term for Chrysalis).

Chrȳs′alis.—The third stage of insect life (Fig. 344); same as pupa.

Cil′iate.—Fringed. (Ciliate antennæ. Fig. 354.)

Fig. 344.

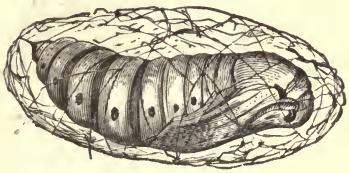


Fig. 345.



Cinē′reous.—Ash-colored.

Clā′vate.—Enlarged toward the tip like a club (Fig. 92).

Clȳp′eus.—The division of the face immediately above the upper lip.

Coäre′tate—Enclosed in the old larva skin; compact.

Cocōōn′.—A silken case spun by the caterpillar (Fig. 346).

Complete Transformā′tion.—When the pupa is incapable of crawling about and of taking food.

Cŏm′pound Eyes.—Placed on each side of the head, and composed of numerous facets or simple eyes set close together.

Compre̅ssed′.—Flattened on the sides.

Cō′lon.—The farther part of the alimentary canal.

Concol′orous.—Of the same color as another part.

Cŏn′fluent.—Running into each other.

Cŏn′nate.—United.

Conspĭc′uous.—Obvious to the eye.

Contĭg′uous.—Touching each other.

Côr′date.—Heart-shaped.

Coriā′ceous.—Hard but flexible.

Côr′neous.—Like horn.

Cŏr′rugated.—Wrinkled.

Cŏs'ta.—Front edge of the wing (Fig. 121, *a*).

Cŏx'a.—A small piece between the thigh and body (Figs. 89 and 103.)

Crē'nate.—Scolloped, the teeth rounded.

Crĕn'ulated—Having the edge notched.

Cū'preous.—Coppery.

Cylĭn'drical.—Round and long, and of the same thickness throughout.

Decŭm'bent.—Bending down.

Deflĕct'ed.—Bent down.

Dĕn'tate.—Toothed.

Dĕn'tiform.—Having the form of teeth.

Deprĕssed'.—Flattened from above.

Diffūse'.—Spread widely.

Dĭg'itate.—Divided like the fingers.

Digĭt'uli.—The stout hairs, sometimes knobbed at the tip, which occur upon the feet of many kinds of Plant-lice and Scale-insects.

Dilāt'ed.—Widened.

Dĭsc'al.—Relating to the disk.

Dĭsc'al cĕll.—A cell situated at the base of the wing in the Butterflies and Moths, but which in the Two-winged Flies is nearest to the outer margin. (See *Cell.*)

Fig. 346.



Dĭsk.—The upper central part of any given surface.

Discoid'al.—Relating to the disk.

Diûr'nal.—Applied to insects that are active during the day.

Divăr'icate.—Spreading apart.

Dôr'sal.—Relating to the back.

Ellĭp'tical.—Elongate-oval.

Elўt'ra.—The hard wing-cases or fore-wings of Beetles.

Emär'ginate.—Notched.

Entomŏl'ogy.—The natural history and habits of insects.

Epipleū'ra.—The outer upturned edge of the wing-cases of Beetles.

Epis'toma.—The clypeus.

Ex'crement.—Eatter discharged from an animal body after digestion.

Exsĕrt'ed.—Protruded.

Exū'viæ.—The cast-off skin.

Făl'cate.—Sickle-shaped.

Făs'cia.—A stripe broader than a line.

Fạu'na.—The animals of any given locality.

Fĕcundā'tion.—The act of making fruitful or prolific.

Fē'mur.—The thigh (Figs. 89 and 103).

Ferrugĭn'eous.—Rust-colored.

Fĭl'iform.—Thread-like (Figs. 91 and 94. *a*).

Fil'ament.—A thread-like appendage.

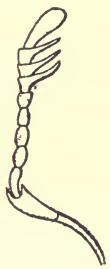
First joint.—The joint farthest from the tip; the basal joint.

Flabĕl'late antennæ.—One that has the form of a fan (Fig. 347).

Fig. 347.



Fig. 348.



Flavĕs'cent.—Yellowish.

Flĕx'uous.—Waving; zigzag.

Fō'vea.—A pit or rounded depression.

Frē'nulum.—A bristle on the front edge of the hind wing, which fits into a hook beneath the front wing, uniting the wings during flight. (See Fig. 122, *fr.*).

Fulig'inous.—Smoky.

Fŭl'vous.—Tawny, reddish, yellow

Fûr'cate.—Forked.

Fŭs'cous.—Dark brown.

Fū′siform.—Spindle-shape; tapering toward both ends (Fig. 93).

Gan′glion.—A swelling in the nervous cord.

Gĕm′inate.—In pairs.

Genĭc′ulate.—Elbowed (Fig. 348).

Gē′nus.—A class or group, each member of which possesses certain characters not found in those individuals which belong to a different class or group.

Glā′brous.—Smooth.

Glau′cous.—Bluish-green.

Glŏb′ular.—Having the form of a ball or sphere.

Grăn′ulated.—Covered with small rounded elevations.

Gregā′rious.—Living in flocks or communities.

Hălt′erēs.—Small thread-like organs which terminate in a knob, taking the place of the hind pair of wings in the Two-winged Flies; balancers.

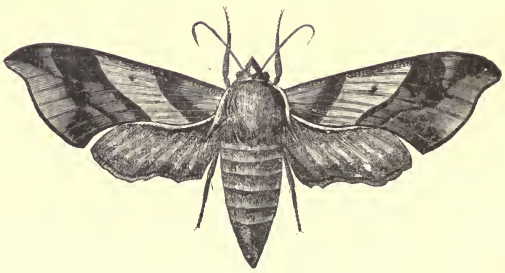
Haus′tellate.—Furnished with a beak, probosis, or sucker.

Hemelўt′ra.—The front wings of the True Bugs.

Hermăph′rodite.—An individual in which both the male and the female organs occur.

Heterŏm′erous.—Applied to the Coleopterous insects which have five joints in the front and middle feet, and only four joints in the hind ones.

Fig. 349.



Hĕx′apod.—Six-footed.

Hirsūt′e.—Clothed with stiff hairs.

Hū′merus.—Anterior outer angle of the wing-cases of Beetles.

Hў′alĭne.—Transparent, like glass.

Hўperstō′ma.—The clypeus in the Two-winged Flies.

Hypŏs′tema.—Same as Hyperstoma.
Imā′go.—The adult or perfect state (Fig. 349).
Ĭm′bricated.—Overlapping, like the shingles on a roof.
Immăc′ulate.—Spotless.
Immär′ginate.—Without an elevated margin.
Incomplēte′ transformā′tion.—When the pupa is capable of crawling about and of taking food.
Incrăs′sāted.—Thickened.
Incŭm′bent.—Lying upon.
Infŭs′cated.—Darkened; with a blackish tinge.
Joint.—A node or part between two joints; in this sense, that part of the arm which is between the joints of the elbow and wrist would be called a joint.
Lā′bial păl′pi.—Small jointed appendages of the lower lip (Fig. 103).
Lā′bium.—The lower lip.
Lā′brum.—The upper lip.
Lamĕl′liform.—Leaf-like.
Lăm′ellate.—With flattened plates (Fig. 100).
Lăm′ina.—A plate or sheet-like piece.
Lär′va.—The second stage of insect life, or that immediately following the egg (Fig. 350; such as grubs, caterpillars, maggots, etc.

Fig. 350.



Fig. 351.



Lăt′eral.—On one side.
Lĭg′ament.—A fibrous band or tie.
Līne.—one twelfth of an inch (Fig. 351); a very narrow stripe.
Lĭn′ear.—Long and narrow and of equal width.
Lĭn′gula.—Little tongue.
Lū′minous.—Emitting light; shining.
Lū′nate.—Half-moon shaped.
Lū′nule.—A mark or spot in the form of a new moon.
Lū′teous.—Deep yellow.

Măc′ulated.—Spotted.

Măn′dibles.—The upper jaws, placed between the upper lip and the lower jaws (Fig. 103).

Mandĭb′ulate.—Provided with jaws.

Mär′ginal.—Placed upon the edge of anything.

Maxĭl′læ.—The lower jaws, placed between the upper jaws and the lower lip (Fig. 103).

Mē′dian.—Relating to the middle of anything.

Membrā′neous.—Thin; parchment-like.

Mĕn′tum.—The chin (Fig. 103).

Mĕsothō′rax.—That division of the thorax to which the middle pair of legs are attached (Fig. 89).

Metamôr′phosēs.—Same as Transformations.

Metathŏr′ax.—That division of the thorax to which the hind pair of legs are attached (Fig. 89).

Monĭl′iform.—Like a string of beads.

Mū′cronate.—Ending in a sharp point.

Nĕrv′ures.—The horny tubes which expand the wings of the insects.

Nī′dus.—A nest.

Noctûr′nal.—Applied to insects that are active by night.

Nōde.—A joint, or part between two joints.

Nôr′mal.—Natural; usual.

Nȳmph.—Ancient name for pupa.

Ŏb′solēte.—Indistinct; rudimentel.

Obtĕct′ed—Not enclosed in the old larva skin; covered.

Ŏc′ciput.—Hind part of the head.

Ocĕl′li.—Simple eyes, usually placed on top of the head.

Ocĕl′lus.—A simple eye (Fig. 89).

Ō′chreous.—A more or less deep ochre-yellow color.

Ōesŏph′agus.—The gullet.

Olivā′ceous.—Olive-colored.

Opāque′.—Not transparent.

Orbĭc′ular.—Nearly circular (Fig. 121, *mo*).

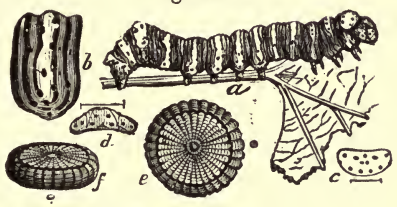
Ō′val.—Egg-shaped.

Ō′vate.—More or less egg-shaped.

Ovĭp′arous.—Producing eggs.

Oviposĭ′tion.—Act of depositing eggs.
Ovipŏs′itor.—The instrument by which the female lays her eggs.
Ō′vum.—An egg (Fig. 352, *e* and *f*).

Fig. 352.



Hăl′mate.—Hand-shaped.
Păl′pi.—Feelers attached to the lower lip and the lower jaws (Figs. 89 and 103).
Păr′aglossa.—Belonging to the Lingula.
Parasĭt′ic.—Living in or upon another animal.
Parthenogĕn′esis.—Bringing forth living young or depositing fertile eggs without the previous intervention of the male.
Patā′gia.—The shoulder tufts (Fig. 123, *m*).
Pĕc′tinate.—Comb-toothed (Fig. 115, *a*).
Pĕd′icel.—A short stem.
Pedŭn′cle.—A stem.
Pentăm′erous.—Having five joints in each foot.
Penŭlt′imate.—The last but one.
Perfō′liate.—Flattened joints or plates surrounding the stem, the latter apparently passing through their centers (as the the terminal part of Fig. 98).
Pĕt′iolate.—Supported on a stem.
Pĕt′iole.—A stem.
Pĭc′eous.—Pitchy black.
Piĕr′cer.—An instrument that penetrates; the ovipositor.
Pīle.—Hair; usually hair arranged in rows.
Pilĭf′erous.—Bearing bristles or hairs.
Pilōse′.—Clothed with long flexible hairs.
Plumōse′.—Like a feather.
Poi′sers.—Same as Halteres.
Porrĕct′.—Straight out.
Postē′rior.—Behind in position.

Prismăt'ic.—Three-sided; like a prism.

Probŏs'cis.—The beak or sucker.

Prŏc'ess.—A projecting part of any surface.

Prō'legs.—The fleshy legs of caterpillars.

Prothō'rax.—The first division of the thorax to which the first pair of legs is attached (Fig. 89). (In the Beetles, Bugs, Grasshoppers and similar insects, this part is commonly termed the *thorax*).

Prū'inose.—Frosted; covered with a whitish powder.

Pterostĭg'ma.—Same as Stigma.

Pubĕs'cent.—Clothed with very fine hairs or down.

Pulviil'li.—Small cushions beneath the feet of the Two-winged Flies.

Pŭnct'ured.—Marked with minute impressed dots, as if pricked with the point of a pin.

Fig. 353.

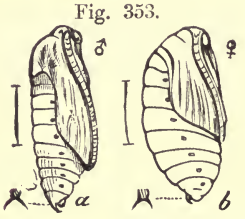


Fig. 354.



Pū'pa.—Same as Chrysalis. The term Chrysalis is usually applied to such pupæ as are incapable of moving about (Fig. 353); while those which are active (Fig. 354) are commonly called *Pupæ*.

Quad'rate.—Square, or nearly so.

Quiĕs'cent.—Being in a state without motion.

Raptō'rial.—Adapted for seizing prey.

Rĕn'iform.—Kidney-shaped (Fig. 121, *mr*).

Retĭc'ulated.—Like net-work.

Retrăct'ile.—Capable of being drawn back.

Rŏs'trum.—Beak.

Rudimĕnt'ary.—In an imperfectly developed condition.

Rufĕs'cent.—Somewhat reddish.

Rū'fous.—Reddish.

Rugōse'.—Wrinkled.

Săl'tatory.—Leaping.

Sanguĭn'eous.—Blood-red.

Scā'brous.—Roughened with projecting points.

Scrōbe.—A groove at the base of the antenna.

Scū'tel.—A triangular piece between the base of the wing-covers and ohe thorax.

Secrē'tions.—Substances separated from the blood, different from the blood itself.

Sĕg'ments.—The parts into which an insect's body is divided by the transverse depressed lines or circles (Fig. 352, *b*).

Serĭ'ceous.—Like silk.

Sĕr'rate.—Saw-toothed (Fig. 97).

Sĕs'sile.—Attached by the whole width.

Sē'ta.—A bristle.

Setā'ceous.—Bristle-like.

Sē'tiform.—Bristle-shaped.

Smōōth.—Not roughened or spined.

Spĭn'nerets.—Small openings out of which silk and other secretions are excreted. (In caterpillars they are situated in the lower lip, but in the scale insects they are situated on various parts of the abdomen.)

Spī'nous.—Furnished with spines.

Spĭr'acles.—The breathing pores or external openings of the windpipe or trachae. (Fig. 89).

Spontā'neous.—Applied to *generation*, as producing forms of life without visible means.

Spûrs.—Thick spines.

Stĕm'mata.—Same as Ocelli.

Stĕr'num.—The underside of the thorax.

Stigma.—A thickened spot on the under side of the fore wings (Fig. 126, 7).

Stĭg'mata.—A term applied to the orbicular and reniform spots on the front wings of Moths (See Fig. 121, *mo* and *mr*).

Strī'æ.—Impressed lines or grooves.

Strī'ate.—Marked with impressed lines; grooved.

Sŭl'cate.—Grooved.

Sūt'ure.—The place where the two parts meet.

Tär′si.—Feet.

Taw′ny.—A pale dirty yellow.

Tĕg′mina.—The front wings of grasshoppers.

Tĕr′gum.—The upper side of the abdomen.

Terrĕs′trial.—Making the home on the ground, in distinction from those inhabiting the water.

Tĕs′sellated.—Checkered.

Testā′ceous.—Pale dull red.

Tetrăm′erous.—Having four joints in each foot.

Thō′rax.—That division of the body to which the legs and wings are attached.

Tĭb′ia.—The shank or shin; that part of the leg between the thigh and foot (Fig. 103).

Tō′mentose.—Covered with fine matted hairs.

Trā′chea.—The windpipe.

Transformā′tions.—Changes; such as changes from the larva to the pupa, or from a pupa to a perfect insect.

Transvĕrse′.—Crosswise.

Trī′merous.—Having three joints in each foot.

Trochăn′ter.—An appendage at the base of the thigh (Fig. 89).

Trō′phī.—The mouth parts.

Trŭnc′ate.—Cut off squarely.

Tū′bercle.—A small swelling or prominence.

Tubĕr′culate.—Furnished with tubercles.

Fig. 355.



Tuberŏs′ities.—Knob-like prominences.

Tufted antennæ.—Fig. 355.

Ŭn′cinate.—Hooked at the tip.

Venātion.—The manner in which the veins of wings are arranged.

Vĕn′ter.—The underside of the body.

Vertĭc′illate.—In whorles.

Vĭl′ous.—Clothed in long soft hairs.

Vĭs′cid.—Sticky.

Vĭt′ta.—A colored stripe running lengthwise.

Vivĭp′arous.—Bringing forth living young.

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